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Sadat tells Assad of approval of military separation plan; Syrian talks seen in fortnight

Full Egypt-U.S. ties announced

By ANAN SAFADI, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat last night communicated to Syrian President Hafez Assad what was believed to have been Cairo's approval of a formula for military disengagement between Syria and Israel. The formula was understood to have been worked out by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger largely on the basis of Israel's views which are to be submitted to Dr. Kissinger today in the form of official proposals.

The Egyptian leader's contact with his Syrian counterpart was reported by Sadat himself following a five-hour meeting with Dr. Kissinger.

It is believed the formula would follow the pattern of the Israel-Egyptian accord which began with a Kissinger-authored cease-fire stabilization agreement on separation of forces and negotiations in accordance with Security Council resolution 242.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, left, with Syrian President Assad during their meeting in Damascus yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Sadat's emergence from the Kissinger meeting was highlighted by his announcement on the resumption of full diplomatic relations between Cairo and Washington. This meant that the ambassadors-designate which both countries exchanged last November would take over full duties as their governments' representatives and that the American flag would fly again in Cairo for the first time since 1967.

Sadat said he had taken the move in view of the fact that the U.S. has adopted "a new and constructive attitude" in the Middle East. He added that Dr. Kissinger's current praiseworthy efforts "make it clear that America has good intentions towards a solution" of the conflict.

Sadat climaxed his declared reconciliation with the U.S. by announcing that he had extended an invitation to President Nixon to visit Egypt. "I expect President Nixon to come, but no date has been fixed yet," Sadat said in his press statements which were broadcast by Cairo radio networks.

In contrast to previous meetings with Kissinger, Sadat yesterday appeared in a blue striped civilian suit and not in military uniform.

When asked whether there was a significance in the change of uniform, Sadat said that the gesture did not mean the war was over. But he noted that "a new era" was emerging.

Both Sadat and Kissinger came out of their talks cheerful, indicating their confidence in achieving an early military disengagement between Syria and Israel and a subsequent reconvening of the Geneva Middle East peace conference for its second phase.

Cairo radio last night noted that part of the Sadat-Kissinger talks were attended by Egyptian War Minister General Ahmed Ismail Aly and Chief of Staff General Mohammed Abdul-Ghani Gamasy, implying that the Egyptians were seeking a major role on behalf of Syria on the Golan disengagement.

It was not clear by last night whether Dr. Kissinger would return to Cairo. Indications were that the State Secretary would still go to Saudi Arabia to seek an end to the ... against the U.S. and other Western countries. He was also expected to visit Amman, although the Jordanian monarch was yesterday reported to be going to Washington soon for talks on the Middle East. Hussein would afterwards visit Cairo at the invitation of Sadat who is seen aiming to unite the ranks of Syria, Jordan and the Palestinians with Egypt in anticipation of the renewed talks at Geneva.

As Dr. Kissinger leaves Cairo this morning, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko is expected to fly into the Egyptian capital.

Gromyko is scheduled to confer with Sadat tomorrow. The Soviet minister yesterday held talks with the Syrian President but no details were disclosed. Gromyko arrived in Damascus unexpectedly on Wednesday, just hours after Kissinger had left for Jerusalem. Gromyko serves as a co-chairman along with Dr. Kissinger at the Geneva Middle East talks.

Dr. K in Jerusalem today

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The place, time and format of Israel-Syria disengagement talks are due to be decided this weekend by the two parties and U.S. Secretary Henry Kissinger, and the talks could well begin within a fortnight, informed sources said in Jerusalem last night. The Secretary will visit Israel briefly today to receive from Premier Meir Israel's "ideas" on disengagement, which he will take with him to President Assad in Damascus.

Yesterday the Cabinet met in Jerusalem to hear from Mrs. Meir and Ministers Eban and Dayan on their talks with the Secretary Wednesday, when he brought from Damascus to Jerusalem the Israel PoW list and the news that the Syrians would allow the Red Cross to visit them today.

Israel's demand for the lists and the visits before any talks, and Syria's refusal to comply, had been holding up the disengagement talks until now.

According to the schedule meticulously worked out by the Secretary, the PoWs will have been visited by the time Dr. Kissinger and Mrs. Meir meet in Tel Aviv at noon to discuss the Israel disengagement "ideas."

The place, time and format question revolves around Syrian insistence that Egypt play a major role in the disengagement talks — almost an "auspices" role. Syria has declared its preference for Geneva as the venue, and its suggestion as to format is a revived Israel-Egypt military working group with Syrian officers taking part too. Siting the talks in Geneva would also presumably allow for close Soviet interest and influence.

Israel does not rule out Egyptian participation, but insists that the Syrians, not the Egyptians, do the actual negotiating, and, above all, that the Syrians sign an eventual agreement. Israel would prefer a spot on the front-line as the site of the talks after the style of the now-famous U.N. tent at Kilometre 101. Israel envisages U.N. auspices (probably of Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, the Unef Commander). This worked well on the southern front and it holds out the added advantage of precluding a Soviet role.

Observers here expect the talks to be long and arduous. The central issues will be:

- Territorial claims — Syria demands that a slice of the pre-1973 Golan (west of the "violet line"), including the town of Kuneitra, be ceded to her as part of the disengagement. Israel's position is that the disengagement must be effected within the territory newly occupied in the October war.
- Linkage — Syria demands that the disengagement accord be explicitly linked to an Israel undertaking to vacate the entire Golan. A statement released in Damascus on Wednesday claimed that Dr. Kissinger had promised the disengagement would be the first stage of a total Israeli withdrawal.
- PoW exchange — Israel demands that this be negotiated at the outset of the talks. U.S. officials ac-

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LISTS OF WAR DEAD DUE Mar. 10

Highest percentage of officers

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Israel's casualty lists of the October War including the semi-attrition period up to February 12 (subsequently all casualties were made public immediately after the next of kin were informed) will be distributed to the families of the deceased on March 10.

Copies of the brochure, listing 2,521 names, will be available at special stands in main post offices for free distribution the following day, March 11. The stands will be draped with the national colours and flanked by two soldiers.

The lists give the name, rank and home town as well as the names of both parents. The lists do not include the serial number nor identify the unit of the fallen. The army spokesman said here yesterday that a *yiskor* (memorial) volume, the third to be put out, will probably follow in due course and include additional details of the men, including pictures, short biographies and other details.

The lists omit the names of 32 of the verified casualties at the specific request of their next of kin and also the names of the 18 men still missing on the Golan Heights and whose names were not included in the list of 62 soldiers brought here by Dr. Kissinger on Wednesday. They also were omitted at the request of their families — apparently in the hope that the men may have survived. But informed sources said there is concrete evidence of the fact that 14 or 15 of the men still missing were killed in the fighting.

In the 1967 war 284 privates were killed out of a total of 777 war dead and the percentage of officers killed was 20 per cent — at that time considered disproportionately higher than customary in any other army. During the Sinai campaign of 1956, 80 out of a total of 171 killed were privates.

These figures were, as the army spokesman pointed out to military correspondents here yesterday, the strongest refutation of theories being heard that the October war was "the war of the privates."

A breakdown of the ranks of the dead of this war reveals that it cost Israel the highest percentage of officers — 606 or almost one-quarter of the total fatalities. They include one officer with the rank of aluf, two alufei-mishne (colonels), 25 sganei-alufim (lieutenant-colonels) and over 80 ravei-sranim (majors).

Of the total of 2,521 dead only 123 were privates.

Waldheim may call U.N. Council session

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim was yesterday alerted to the possibility of having the Security Council summon an emergency session to delegate a U.N. force to the Golan front once Secretary of State Henry Kissinger succeeds in achieving an Israeli-Syrian disengagement agreement.

The force was expected to be set up with some 2,500 men in line with the U.N. Emergency Force dispatched to the Suez Canal front last October. The Syrian front is currently supervised only by the pre-October war force of U.N. observers.

Waldheim was originally scheduled to visit Egypt and Israel early next week following his current African tour. But developments over Syria might compel Waldheim to return to New York.

TORY TOAST — Prime Minister Edward Heath takes lunchtime refreshment at the King's Head pub in his constituency of Sidcup, near London, during a walk at polling time. (AP radiophoto)

Heavy U.K. polling as Tories have edge

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Unseasonally chilly weather did not deter Britain's 40 million voters who turned out yesterday in what looked like being a heavy poll to decide the outcome of what has been called one of the most important elections since World War II.

A record turnout was reported from most parts of the country.

Prime Minister Edward Heath went to vote early yesterday warmed by the knowledge that all the opinion polls gave his Conservative Party a slight lead over Labour. If these predictions prove right he could be in command of a 50 or 60 seat majority in the next Parliament of 635 members.

Also out early was Labour Party leader Harold Wilson who voted in London before heading north to his constituency. He maintained his belief that Labour had closed the gap in the last few days.

However, both leaders knew that it is the showing of the Liberals which could transform the political landscape. Both leading parties acknowledged the advance of the Liberals, but each believed that voters would be drawn from the other party.

It was felt that a balance of power situation might well exist today when account is taken not only of Liberal success but also of the strong support for the Scottish Nationalists and the loss to the Conservatives of some Ulster members.

If a balance of power situation did arise it is unlikely that an administration could be formed today and it could well be early next week before a pact or agreement could be worked out to allow the new Prime Minister to be confident that he could rely on a majority in the House of Commons.

Polling which started at 7 a.m. closed at 10 p.m. (midnight, Israel time). Final results will not be expected before midday tomorrow.

Labour c'ttee meets in bid to abolish factions

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's "conciliation committee" yesterday spent three and a half hours in what was described as a cordial discussion on ways to abolish factions and inaugurate a new era of goodwill. The committee adjourned and will meet again today.

The committee of three, including secretary-general Aharon Yadlin (Mapai), deputy secretary Avraham Gevelber (Ahdut Ha'avoda) and Moshe Netzer of Rafi, will prepare a formal draft of the numerous suggestions raised during the two sessions of the committee. The draft should indicate practical ways to abolish the factions, hold new party elections, and provide the secretary-general with several secretaries instead of the two political deputies.

However, the key to the government crisis does not seem to lie in the deliberations of this committee, but in whether Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and Transport Minister Shimon Peres would reverse their decision not to join Mrs. Golda Meir's cabinet. There was no indication yesterday that they would do so, although some Rafi key-men have urged Mr. Peres to remain in the government.

An indication of how difficult it is to eliminate "factional thinking" in the Labour Party was a suggestion in the committee that Rafi send other representatives to the Cabinet if Dayan and Peres refuse — although the committee was supposedly called to abolish factions.

The National Religious Party adjourned all coalition talks till Sunday. Because of the extraordinary meeting of the Cabinet on the Syrian disengagement, the NRP decided to call a meeting of its executive in Jerusalem on Sunday afternoon, while its Knesset faction is likely to meet in Jerusalem in the morning.

Meanwhile, Independent Liberal leader Gideon Hausner M.K. yesterday told his party's executive he would agree to serve in the new Cabinet as Minister without Portfolio, together with Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, despite his earlier insistence to serve only as Justice Minister. He told the meeting he had given in on this point only because of the Prime Minister's refusal to appoint him Minister of Justice in place of Haim Zadok and because he wanted to make sure that the Independent Liberals should have two Ministers in the new Cabinet.

As the reconciliation talks within the Labour Party continued, the young guard of Mapam, Labour's partner in the Alignment, resolved yesterday to press for the appointment of Yitzhak Rabin as Defence Minister.

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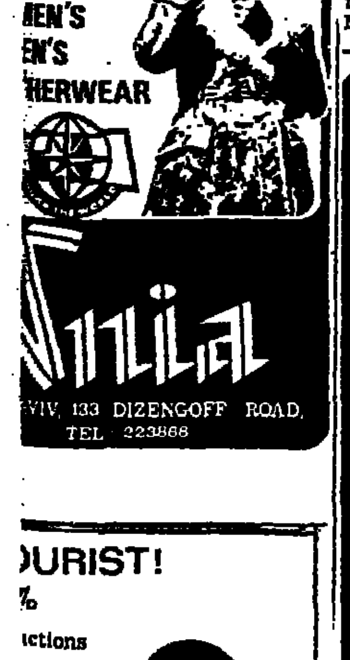

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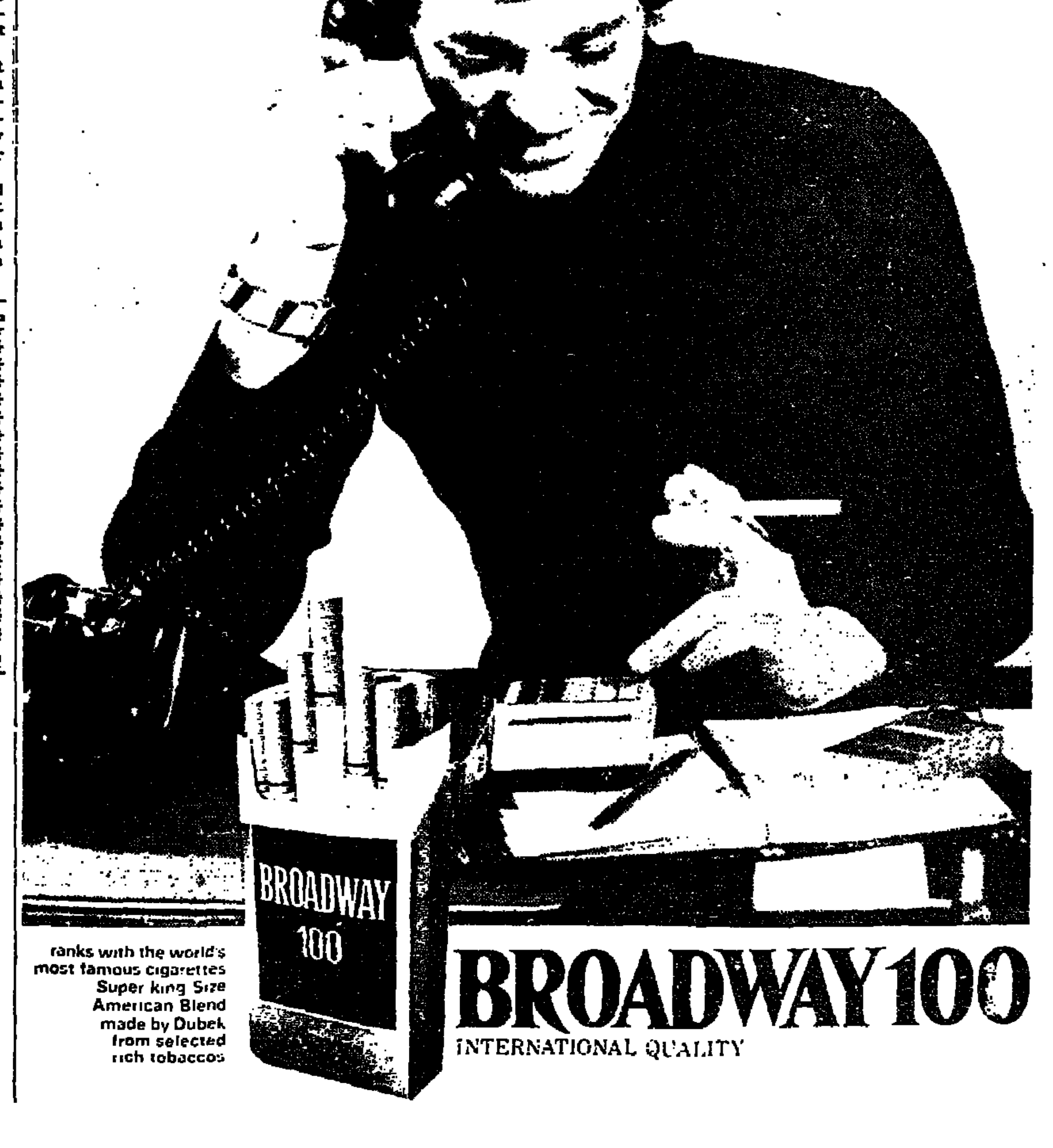

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Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday gave a reception for 180 Wizo members from France, headed by Helene Djian. The group was accompanied by World Wizo President Raya Jaglom.

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Armenian Patriarch Yeghishe Derderian and Archbishop Shahe Ajamian called on Mayor Teddy Kollek at Jerusalem City Hall yesterday.

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Tat-Aluf Ephraim Poran, the new army spokesman, yesterday called at Beit Agron, headquarters of the Jerusalem Journalists' Association. He was accompanied by his Jerusalem representative, Sgan-Aluf Shmuel Tzahi. On Wednesday, T/A Poran paid a courtesy call at the offices of *The Jerusalem Post*.

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The American Technion Society leadership mission were yesterday the guests of David Koren M.K. at a luncheon at the Knesset.

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The director of the Maritime Fruit Carriers Company, Captain Milla Brenner, will speak on "Joining the Shipping World" at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, Zion Hotel, at 1 p.m. today. Table reservations by phone, 511593.

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An Oneg Shabbat will be held at 8.30 tonight at Hechal Shlomo, Jerusalem. Rabbi Dr. S.M. Lehrman and Mr. Shaul Ben-Haylm will participate. Cantor Arye Goldberg will conduct the community singing.

Tomorrow night at 8 p.m., there will be a *Melaveh Malka* programme, with Cantor Yehuda Lendner. A film will be shown, and Mr. Pinhas Eliav of the Foreign Ministry will talk. All welcome.

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The use of illustrations in children's literature will be discussed by Menahem Regev, Coordinator of the David Yellin Hebrew Teachers College, Beit Hakerem, Jerusalem, and Mrs. Yehudit Yellin-Ginat, artist-teacher, at the annual Dvora and Haim Shahar Memorial Symposium at the College on Sunday at 12 noon.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Temporary showers, with scattered thunderstorms and strong winds.

Outlook for Saturday: Scattered showers.

Weather synopsis: An upper trough over eastern Mediterranean is causing an inflow of cold air into our region.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	100	6—7	4—6
Golan	60	—4—4	2—5
Nahariya	73	13—15	10—13
Safad	99	5—6	3—6
Haifa	66	13—15	11—15
Tiberias	95	11—16	8—15
Nazareth	90	9—9	7—9
Afula	82	10—13	9—13
Shomron	90	7—8	5—8
Tel Aviv	71	12—15	10—14
Lod	94	8—13	7—13
Jericho	88	12—16	9—16
Gaza	95	10—16	10—15
Beersheba	53	9—15	7—14
Eilat	25	12—21	10—20
Tiran	33	12—21	10—20

Rainfall Figures
(in mm.)
(For 24-hour period ending 8 p.m. yesterday)

Jerusalem	33
Golan Heights	54
Nahariya	15
Safad	43
Haifa Port	8
Afula	13
Shomron	24
Tel Aviv	13
Ben-Gurion Airport	37
Jericho	3
Gaza	4
Beersheba	4

In deep sorrow, we announce the death of our mother
TELKA GOLDSCHMIDT
Mourned by her son and family

21 taken in Hermon garrison are listed as PoWs by Syria

By ZEEV SCHUL
POST Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — All 21 soldiers who survived the Syrian onslaught on the Hermon mountain garrison are alive in Syria. Their names were among the 65 on the prisoner of war list brought from Damascus on Wednesday by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

The 65 include a number of air crewmen shot down over Syrian territory, paratroopers and tank crews as well as a handful of survivors of front line defences taken by the Syrians during the first 24 hours of the October war.

Observers here believe the Syrians will today permit the first visit to the prisoners of an International Red Cross delegation. The scheduled arrival of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is expected to lend weight to this decision.

Syria claims the prisoners are now being treated in accordance with international rules.

Communications Minister Shimon Peres yesterday warned against expecting the imminent release of the PoWs.

"Israel has not made the release of the PoWs a condition for the opening of talks," Mr. Peres said. He was addressing students during a question-and-answer session at Tel Aviv University.

Mr. Peres was optimistic on the chances of reaching a settlement with the Syrians. He told the students the visit of Dr. Kissinger might see an opportunity for dialogue with Syria similar to that Israel conducted with Egypt. "This would make it possible for us to chart a separation of forces map, bring about the release of the PoWs and create a new climate of relations between Israel and Syria."

Israel's position was that talks would be limited to areas whose status has been altered since the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War i.e. the areas which Israel occupied beyond the "lilac line."

As for the next phase of the talks with Egypt, the Minister said that they should involve a permanent settlement and an end to hostility between the sides.

He saw "no point whatever" in talks on the disengagement of forces with Jordan "since there is no problem of great military forces positioned against each other on that frontier. What is the point of emptying the Jordan valley and filling it up *with Unef troops?*" Mr. Peres asked.

He said the problems facing King Hussein tend to prevent his participation in peace talks with Israel as he must maintain a special image *vis-a-vis* the Arab world, especially in view of the fact that the Palestinian terror movement constitutes a far greater danger to the Jordanian King than it does to Israel.

He did not know whether Rafi would join the new government, but said that the government must concern itself with the changes in the Arab world and ensure that Israel's military might was up to any possible future challenge.

ISRAEL LEAVES CANAL MONDAY

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The last Israel Army units stationed on the banks of the Suez Canal will vacate their positions on Monday morning, March 4.

Unef forces will take over the area and hold it for the next 24 hours — the longest "buffer-time" of all five evacuation stages — in order to enable Israeli units to pull back and regroup behind the protection of their new lines.

THINNING OUT

Meanwhile, the mutual thinning out of the Egyptian and Israeli armies in the so-called "demilitarized zones," east and west of the Unef buffer zone, is continuing at its programmed pace. This includes, the Army Spokesman said here yesterday, the total dismantling of all Sam installations. (Actually, none are required for the efficient Sam-6 types, since these are self-propelled, are carried either on tracked vehicles or regular trucks, and can be brought up to the front lines on short notice.)

The Egyptian artillery does require preliminary preparation of positions, since it consists largely of towed and unprotected units. These, however, can be immediately detected by spy aircraft as well as the Unef patrols expected to tour the Egyptian and Israeli lines. All but 36 Egyptian 122mm. guns are to be pulled out of this side of the Canal.

MINE PROBES

The Egyptians are also continuing their preparations for the clearing of the Suez Canal. They are now believed to be probing for mines and unexploded shells in the waterway, and will next probably raise the ships, deliberately sunk to block the waterway. They are expected to subsequently start dredging work and shoring up of the embankment, in the final phase, and to restore the canal to its pre-war shipping capacity by next autumn. The canal will remain barred to shipping under Israel's flags, but Israel-bound cargoes will be allowed through.

Discharge recommended of 15,000 key workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The nine public committees appointed by the Labour Ministry three months ago to review applications for the discharge of key workers from active reserve duty have reviewed 32,000 applications and recommended the discharge of 15,000 men. Of these, 4,500 have actually been discharged.

These figures were revealed here yesterday at a meeting of these committees to hear an address by outgoing Labour Minister Yosef Almogi. Mr. Almogi said the committees proved a success, but since nine were no longer needed, they will merge into three committees as of Sunday.

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Three dead on roads

Three men were killed in two [illegible] accidents yesterday.

A trailer-truck carrying chemi[illegible] collided with a pick-up van on [illegible] airport road outside Haifa, kill[illegible] two of the van's occupants [illegible] seriously injuring the third. One [illegible] the dead men was identified [illegible] Menashe Debaj, 31, of Jerusa[illegible] The other's identity was not a[illegible] able last night.

Thomas Rosenwasser, of Ki[illegible] Haim, was fatally injured when [illegible] car he was driving on the [illegible] Safad road collided with an on[illegible] ing bus. He died on arrival at [illegible] Government Hospital in Nahar[illegible] In another collision, on the [illegible] Kiryat Shmona road, between a [illegible] and a truck, four persons were [illegible] jured, two of them seriously. (H[illegible]

Likud man hit[illegible] leadership of his own party

The heads of the Likud [illegible] failed and should resign, Dr. Y[illegible] Peled, Mayor of Ramat Gan, [illegible] last night in an interview broa[illegible] on Israel Television's "Mabat" [illegible] programme.

Dr. Peled, a member o[illegible] Liberal Party, a major com[illegible] of the Likud, was reiterat[illegible] statement he made Wednesday [illegible] in a speech before the [illegible] Party's young guard. The [illegible] veteran leadership in Isra[illegible] "bankrupt," he said, includin[illegible] of the Likud. However, it [illegible] prepared to yield its pla[illegible] younger forces, he added.

That the Likud's leaders [illegible] failed is clear from the fac[illegible] the opposition failed to gain [illegible] in the elections despite the bi[illegible] of the Yom Kippur War, Dr. [illegible] said. The election results show[illegible] said, that the public does no[illegible] faith in its leaders.

Amiel Najar has been app[illegible] Ambassador-at-large and [illegible] adviser to the Foreign Mi[illegible] it was announced in Jer[illegible] yesterday. Mr. Najar, 6[illegible] year completed a tour o[illegible] as ambassador to Italy a[illegible] also served as ambassa[illegible] Japan and Belgium.

Gov't to cover emplo[illegible] part of Nat'l Insur[illegible]

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Government decided y[illegible] to cover that portion of paym[illegible] National Insurance usually m[illegible] employers on behalf of the[illegible] ployees. The decision covers [illegible] riod from October 6 to Janu[illegible] for the period starting Febr[illegible] employers will again make the[illegible] ments.

The decision was made at a [illegible] ing in Jerusalem between [illegible] Minister Pinhas Sapir and re[illegible] tatives of the economic orga[illegible] and Hevrat Ovdim and the [illegible] drut. For the period from Oct[illegible] until the time when the [illegible] mobilization returns to norm[illegible] ployers will be exempted fr[illegible] ing into the special employe[illegible] bonds fund, it was also dec[illegible]

'I started baking cake as Dr. K headed here'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — Mrs. Mazal Leibowitz, 24, had not heard from her husband since the outbreak of the war but she was "quite sure he was alive." On Wednesday night she was informed that her husband, Sgt. Major David Leibowitz, a regular army man who had been in the Mt. Hermon outpost at the war's outbreak, was a prisoner in Syria.

"I was so sure that I baked a cake when I heard Dr. Kissinger was coming," Mrs. Leibowitz said yesterday. She had written her husband weekly through the Red Cross, though she never received an answer.

Shortly after the war began, she left her job in a local sewing plant and moved to her sister's house. Her employers had encouraged her and tried to keep her spirits up, and two months ago she returned home and went back to her job.

Although she never lost faith that her husband was alive, she lost 12 kilos since the outbreak of the war. When she heard the good news on Wednesday, she burst into tears: "Now I can't wait until David will be back home. I hope it won't be more than a month."

In Haifa yesterday Mayor Almogi sent flowers to the seven families which received confirmation of their sons being PoWs in Syria. In the municipal council session last night he congratulated the families on behalf of the city and said he hoped they would have an early reunion with their sons.

Lt.Col. Khedr speaking to two Arab members of the Meditran delegation, Wajeh Nusseibeh (centre) and Salim Nammari (right), at the Shmuel Harofe Hospital last December (Leonof)

February exits in thunderstorms, hail

Jerusalem Post Staff

February went out in a noisy splash yesterday, as heavy rains, accompanied by hail and thunderstorms, fell in northern and central Israel.

The weatherman predicts a gradual improvement over the week-end. Tomorrow will be partly cloudy with scattered showers in Galilee and the central parts of the country. Fair weather is forecast for the south.

No snow is expected over the week-end except in the Mt. Hermon area, but there is a possibility of floods in the wadis and other low areas.

Farmers received the rain with mixed feelings. Welcoming a further replenishment of depleted underground water reserves following last year's drought, they are concerned about the planting of their summer crops. At least another week of dry weather was needed to dry the fields, still wet from the previous rains.

This winter's heavy rains will enable farmers to grow more non-irrigated crops, especially cotton, which is fetching record prices on the world market. About 340,000 dunams of cotton are expected to be planted this year — about 10 per cent more than last year.

Largest congress opens tonight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The largest international congress ever held in Israel opens in Jerusalem tomorrow night when 4,000 members of the Holy Spirit church organization covene at the Binyanei Haooma.

Some three thousand delegates have come from North America, and the remainder from Europe and South Africa. Among the delegates are Katerin Kuhlman of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, internationally known preacher and faith healer, who will be one of the prominent speakers at the congress.

Another participant is 83-year-old Gorrie Ten-Boom of Holland, known for her assistance during World War II to many Jews and underground fighters. A forest has been planted in her honour in Israel.

The congress is to conclude on Wednesday.

'No danger of unemployment'

There is no danger of unemployment this year, Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Bar-Lev told the Knesset Economic Committee on Wednesday. However, he predicted a drop of *approximately seven per cent in* personal consumption, compared with last year.

According to Mr. Bar-Lev, new investment in industry this year will reach IL1,700m.

Syrian 'atrocity victim' praised treatment here

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A Syrian pilot whose case was cited by Syria at the UN on Wednesday as an example of Israeli "atrocities" against prisoners had nothing but praise for the medical attention and general treatment he was receiving when he talked with a delegation of Jerusalem residents last December.

The seven-member delegation represented Meditran, an inter-communal Jerusalem organization seeking to promote contacts between the city's religious communities.

They visited Lt.-Col. Adnan El Haj Khedr, 36, at Shmuel Harofe Hospital last Dec. 23.

On Wednesday, Syria's ambassador to the UN, Haissam Kelani, in a letter to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, alleged the Israelis amputated the officer's legs "solely in order to mutilate him." The Syrian complaint, which previously had been presented to the International Red Cross, stated: "According to a news item published in *The Jerusalem Post* of December 28, 1973, *Israel claims that Lt.-Col.* Adnan el Haj Khedr was taken prisoner when his helicopter was shot down and that his legs were broken and subsequently amputated.

"A European newspaper asserts that the amputation took place in field hospital, although operations of this kind should not be performed in such hospitals...

"Some of the soldiers who were on board the same helicopter and succeeded in escaping have asserted that as soon as their craft crashed on a public highway near the village of Kafr-Naffakh, they were fired upon, and at that time their commander, Adnan el Haj Khedr, was still unhurt, a fact which proves beyond all doubt that the Israelis amputated his legs when there was no need for doing so, solely in order to mutilate him."

A photograph taken of Lt.-Col. Kedhr at the field hospital was shown to the Meditran group who visited him in December by Shmuel Harofe director, Dr. Walter Davidson. It showed the wounded pilot with one hideously crushed leg almost entirely severed below the knee, hanging on by a tendon and some skin. The other leg had been cut free by the cool, determined colonel with his service knife in a *rare instance of self-preservation* before he was taken prisoner. Dr. Davidson said there was no doubt that the rapid amputation and treatment of his limbs and blood infusions had saved Col. Khedr's life.

T.A. Maccabi hoopsters beat Belgium 84:74

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi's basketballers last night bowed out of this year's European Cup championship even though they scored an 84:74 win over Belgian champions Aural of Antwerp, before 6,000 spectators at the Yad Eliahu Sports Palace.

It was a fast game, but lacked tension, as both teams knew the outcome would not enable either to make the semi-finals of the cup race. At times the game provided brilliant basketball with occasional flashes of individual flare, but the shooting left something to be desired.

Maccabi held the lead — between 4 and 10 points — throughout, leading 41:33 at the half. Tal Brodie and Bill Pless were outstanding for Tel Aviv, and were top scorers with 24 and 23 points, respectively. Jack Gillespie, Antwerp's American star, was top scorer for the guests, with 25 points.

'U.S. Jews hurt by Who is a Jew crisis'

Israel's coalition crisis over the "Who is a Jew" issue is harmful to American Jewish unity, Jacob Stein, former president of the Conference of Major American Jewish Organizations, said in an Israel Television interview last night.

Mr. Stein said that the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations has broken away from the Synagogue Council of America, which acts as the overall representative body of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Judaism in the U.S. If the breach widens, it will harm efforts for increasing political support for Israel, he said.

Mr. Stein added that American Jews could not understand why Israel's leaders are having so much trouble in forming a government capable of coping with the fateful issues that will determine the country's future.

IL5m. spent on refugee aid in territories

Some IL5m. has been invested in infrastructure projects in the refugee camps of the administered territories, Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, announced yesterday during a tour of camps in the Tulkarm and Nablus areas.

Mr. Sanbar, who is also chairman of the fund set up by the Authority for Economic Development and Refugee Rehabilitation, was accompanied on his tour by the Acting O/C Judea and Samaria Command, Aluf Mishne Ze'ev Atzmon.

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companying the Secretary have indicated that he secured from Syria an understanding that the exchanges would go ahead as the talks proceeded. Syria's position had previously been that PoW exchange *must await a final settlement.*

- Syria's demand for the return of 15,000 villagers who fled the newly-occupied areas. Israel has linked this to a PoW exchange and it will also presumably come up early in the disengagement talks.

Yesterday's Cabinet session was classified as a session of the secret Ministerial Committee on Security. Reportedly, the ministers discussed only the general "ideas" which Mrs. Meir will present to the Secretary today. An official communique said there would be another Cabinet discussion of the disengagement *issue on Sunday.* At *that meeting* the ministers, having heard from Dr. Kissinger in Damascus the Syrian reaction to Israel's "ideas," will formulate the more detailed principles to guide Israel's negotiators when the disengagement talks begin.

There has been some speculation the Secretary might send his assistant, Joseph Sisco, back to Jerusalem on Sunday to hear a more detailed presentation of Israel's position.

Well-placed Israeli sources stressed yesterday that Wednesday's talks *with the Secretary had* taken a very general form, and they could only have been described as "substantive" in the very loosest definition of the term. These sources confirmed that there had been maps, but explained that the maps had been spread merely to show where the Israeli settlements were situated on the Golan and to illustrate topographical problems — not to draw any disengagement lines.

U.S. officials on Wednesday night had given out that the talks were "substantive." This was seen here as their effort to satisfy the long-standing Syrian insistence that the PoW lists-and-visits issue be settled only *within* the context of substantive disengagement talks.

The White House statement of Wednesday announcing Syrian agreement on the lists-and-visits demand said only that Israel would present its disengagement "ideas" to the Secretary today, making no mention of any prior substantive talks. That announcement was intended to meet Israel's insistence that *the lists-and-visits* question be settled before any substantive talks began.

U.S. officials accompanying the Secretary have stressed in their conversations with Israeli officials and in private talks their feeling that Syria is softening its extremist positions and adopting a more moderate *posture. The Secretary himself* is reported to have spoken in this vein in his meeting Wednesday with Mrs. Meir.

The Americans freely admit that a good deal of such reassuring reports on their part — backed up by corroborating actions by the Syrians — will be needed to reduce the residue of *suspicion* and *hostility which* 25 years of dealings with Damascus have left with Israel.

They claim, however, that Dr. Kissinger was sincerely convinced on this present trip that a real change is taking place in Damascus and that the Syrian leadership is slowly adopting Egypt's business-like and constructive approach to the prospect of talks with Israel and a disengagement accord.

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Carmela Shalit
on the death of her
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THE FAMILY

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Three dea[d] on roads

[Thr]ee men were killed in t[wo accide]nts yesterday.
[A t]railer-truck carrying ... [collid]ed with a pick-up van ... [on the] road outside Haifa, ... of the van's occupants [and serious]ly injuring the third ... [One of the d]ead men was identified [as] ... the Debaj, 31, of Jer... [the o]ther's identity was no[t known l]ast night.
[Tho]mas Rosenwasser, of ... was fatally injured ... [h]e was driving on th[e] ... road collided with an ... [bu]s. He died on arrival [at Govern]ment Hospital in N[ahariya]. [In an]other collision, on th[e Kiryat] Shmona road, betwee[n a ...] truck, four persons [were injured,] two of them seriously.

[L]ikud man hi[ts] [l]eadership o[f h]is own part[y]

... heads of the Likud ... and should resign, Dr ... Mayor of Ramat Gan ... [ni]ght in an interview b[y Isr]ael Television's "Mabat" [progra]mme.
... Peled, a member ... [Libera]l Party, a major [compon]ent of the Likud, was reiter[ating a statem]ent he made Wednesday [in a] speech before the ... [Liberal]s young guard. Th[e] ... leadership in ... [bankr]upt," he said, includ[ing the] Likud. However, ... [refus]ed to yield its ... [to younge]r forces, he added. ... the Likud's leade[rship] is clear from the f[act that the op]position failed to ga[in in the] elections despite the Yom Kippur War, ... the election results sh[ow t]hat the public does ... in its leaders.

... Najar has been ap[pointed amba]ssador-at-large and ... [adviso]r to the Foreign ... [it wa]s announced in Je[rusalem yester]day. Mr. Najar, ... completed a tour ... [as am]bassador to Italy ... served as ambassa[dor to Holland] and Belgium.

[Cos]t to cover emp[loyers' share] [o]f Nat'l Insur[ance]

Jerusalem Post Reporter
[The] Government decided ... [to cove]r that portion of pa[yments to Nation]al Insurance usually [made by employ]ers on behalf of th[eir workers] ... The decision cover[s the period f]rom October 6 to Ja[nuary ... th]e period starting Fe[bruary employ]ers will again make ...
[The] decision was made a[t a meeting in] Jerusalem between [Finance Ministe]r Pinhas Sapir and ... of the economic org[anizations of the H]evrat Ovdim and th[e ...] For the period from ... the time when the ... [situ]ation returns to nor[mal ...] will be exempted ... [t]o the special employ[ment] fund, it was also de[cided].

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[Pre]mier Golda Meir stands with head bowed at yesterday's ceremony [on] Mount Herzl, Jerusalem, for Israel's missing soldiers. At her left [is] Health Minister Victor Shemtov. Others in picture, from right, [are] Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, Defence [Mi]nister Moshe Dayan, a bereaved parent, Chief of Staff David [Ela]zar and Tat-Aluf Yona Efrat, O/C Central Command. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

[B]ereaved parents hurl [s]houts at Dayan, Meir

[B]y ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

[In] a driving storm, thousands of [pers]ons gathered yesterday on [Mou]nt Herzl to honour the memory [of] Israel's missing soldiers.
[T]he ceremony was punctuated by [ang]er shouts hurled at Defence [Min]ister Moshe Dayan and Premier [Gol]da Meir by several bereaved par[ents] who accused them of responsi[bilit]y for the death of their sons [in t]he Yom Kippur War.
[In] a brief address, Mr. Dayan [calle]d the Yom Kippur War, the most [diffic]ult in the history of the state, [which] came suddenly and with tre[mendous] force. The enemy strength, [he s]aid, was three times that which [con]fronted Israel in the Six Day [War]. Referring to the dead whose [bodi]es have not been recovered, he [said]: "We are gathered here today [to ho]nour them and create a mem[orial] to them in this holiest of our [place]s. Their memory and image [stand] higher than any stone monu[ment]."
[Sh]ortly after Mr. Dayan started [spea]king, a distraught man and [a wom]an nearby started shouting — "[Mu]rderer. Criminal. You sent our [sons] to death." Mr. Dayan seemed [to] pause for a fraction of a sec[ond] but then continued his slow and [deli]berate reading, the shouting con[tinuing] in the background. Premier Golda Meir stood nearby with her head bowed, as a girl soldier held an umbrella to shield her from the rain. Alongside her were members of the Cabinet and top army officers, including Chief of Staff David Elazar.

Following Mr. Dayan's remarks, a paratroop honour guard fired three volleys terminating the ceremony. At that point, several other parents shouted accusations at Mr. Dayan and Mrs. Meir. Ignoring the security guards, the two entered the crowd to talk to the parents and succeeded in calming them.

The ceremony for missing soldiers is held each year on the seventh day of the Hebrew month of Adar, the traditional anniversary of the day on which Moses was buried in an unknown grave in Moab. While the ceremony is intended for all missing soldiers in the State's history — and for missing underground fighters of the pre-State period — those present yesterday were mostly relatives and friends of the 162 men still missing as a result of the Yom Kippur War. The list had been reduced just the day before when U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger brought with him from Damascus the names of 62 Israeli prisoners who had formerly been listed as missing.

[R]afi MK hits [a]t Ashkenazi

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

[An a]ppeal to Knesset members [by] Motti Ashkenazi, as part of [his a]nti-Dayan campaign, drew a [stin]ging letter of reply from David [Cor]en, M.K. Mr. Ashkenazi had [writt]en to all 120 Knesset members [urg]ing them to force Dayan to [acce]pt parliamentary responsibility [for] the blunders connected with the [Yo]m Kippur War.
[M]r. Coren, who belongs to the [Rafi] wing of the Labour Party and [is a] strong Dayan supporter, said [Mr.] Ashkenazi was trying to create [a cl]imate of public opinion calcul[ated] to sway the Agranat Com[mis]sion. The commission is probing [the] shortcomings before and during [the] war.
[I]n view of its activities, Mr. Co[ren] wrote, there was no room for [furth]er negative or positive action [in] this area. "You have reportedly [dis]missed us all as a rubber stamp," [he] wrote, "why bother asking for [our i]ntervention?"

[I]mmigration from West declining

Jerusalem Post Reporter

[I]mmigration from Western coun[trie]s continues to fall, according [to] the Jewish Agency's Immigration [and] Absorption Department.
[F]igures for January (compared [wit]h January 1973 in brackets) are [as f]ollows: Latin America, 215 [(...)]; U.S. and Canada 269 (328); [We]stern Europe 277 (297); and [Sou]th Africa 57 (72).
[I]mmigration and Absorption De[par]tment head Uzi Narkiss said [ear]lier this week immigration from [the] U.S. is being adversely affected [by] Israel's internal difficulties. The [cou]ntry's inability to cope with its [pro]blems is influencing would-be [sett]lers to give up their plans to [live] in Israel, he said.

Good local ties made war seem unlikely: Herzog

One of the reasons Israel did not believe a war with the Arabs likely last October was the fact that Jews and Arabs here enjoyed good relations, according to the military commentator and former army intelligence chief, Aluf (Res.) Haim Herzog.

Mr. Herzog was speaking yesterday at a symposium in Jerusalem's Van Leer Institute. Participating were Latin American newspaper editors visiting the country under the auspices of the Daily Newspapers Editors Committee of Israel.

The U.S. won an important political victory as a result of the Yom Kippur War by bringing about talks between the warring sides — thus paving a new path both for Israel and for itself, said Mr. Herzog. Russia, on the other hand, came out the loser, since it stood to control the entire Middle East had Israel been defeated, and because President Sadat sought closer ties with the West. The Russians, despite their massive assistance, failed to understand the Egyptians, a proud people who refuse to have outsiders dictate their policies, he said.

Job priority for veterans

Demobilized soldiers will get first priority for jobs through the Labour Exchanges, and will be eligible for tuition-free vocational training under two regulations approved yesterday by the Knesset Finance Committee under the Veteran Benefits law.

The Knesset unit was also scheduled to approve regulations providing for special monetary grants, loans and loan guarantees to self-employed veterans whose businesses suffered as a result of this mobilization. However, because of the large number of proposals put forth by committee members, it was decided to delay final action until next week.

Egged man quits over merger issue

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The chairman of the Egged Secretariat, Israel Gil, handed in his resignation yesterday to the bus cooperative's executive body — following a decision taken by Egged members in a referendum last Tuesday not to merge wit hthe Dan bus cooperative.

It is learned that Mr. Gil feels the decision was contrary to Egger's best interest's and that he cannot assume the responsibility of carrying it out. The Egged Executive has declined to accept Mr. Gil's resignation and asked him to reconsider.

Transport Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday that his Ministry would review the division of bus lines in the Dan Region between the two cooperatives, in the light of the Egged decision. He said that Egged was free to decide on whether to merge with Dan or not, "but as Minister of Transport, I have an obligation to the two million passengers who travel in the buses every day."

UJA TOUR. — Undeterred by their experience on Tuesday — when their bus strayed into Egyptian territory and was held there for 10 hours — a group of 27 American UJA leaders yesterday continued their travels and are seen here on their way to Kuneitra in the Golan. In the foreground are the group's leaders, Sam Lear, left, and Howard Stone. (Rubinger)

315 convictions for carless day driving

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A total of 315 drivers have been convicted of driving on their carless day and proceedings against another 258 are still pending, Police Minister Hillel said in reply to a question in the Knesset on Wednesday.

The courts imposed fines up to IL1,000 and in some cases suspended the drivers' licences for various periods.

The carless day will be reduced to 12 hours, from 6 in the morning to 6 at night starting today.

PAYIS WINNERS

The IL150,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets no. No. 753413 won IL50,000; nos No. 753413 won IL50,000; Nos. 308150 and 781940 won IL12,500; and Nos. 269697, 378983, 585802 and nos. 269697, 378983, 585802 Tickets ending in 5 won IL4.

THE CHAMBER OF ADVOCATES yesterday accepted as members 108 newly qualified attorneys, at a ceremony held in the Wise Auditorium of the Hebrew University.

Stabbing ruled self-defence

TEL AVIV. — A man who stabbed the ex-husband of a woman friend three times in the chest was acquitted by the District Court here this week, after he convinced the court he acted in self-defence.

Meir Debre, 30, a local resident, was charged with stabbing Shmuel Gipstein last August, at the home of Gipstein's former wife Dafna. Gipstein, the court found, was jealous of his ex-wife, whom Debre befriended, and accused the latter of being the cause of the couple's divorce. He had assaulted Debre and had threatened to kill him if he continued to see his ex-wife.

Debre subsesuently purchased a switch blade in order to defend himself, and at the same time complained to the police of Gipstein's threats. Last August, however, Gipstein returned from a walk with his four-year-old son, and found Debre alone in Dafna's apartment. Though he was forbidden to enter the apartment, he barged in and began to beat the weaker Debre — and the latter stabbed him in self-defence. *(Itim)*

Tennis meet cancelled after Jakarta hosts bar Israeli players

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Asian Lawn Tennis Federation has cancelled next week's third Asian amateur tennis championships in Jakarta "because of Indonesia's inability to invite Israel."

The Israel Lawn Tennis Association (ILTA) yesterday "warmly welcomed" the surprise decision, and reacted by offering Israel as the venue for the 1975 Asian championships.

News of the cancellation of the tournament, scheduled for March 6-10, was announced in a terse cable from Asian Federation Secretary R.H. Kahane in New Delhi. It also said the Federation's annual general meeting in Jakarta on March 8 will not take place. The championships were to have been held under the auspices of the 17-nation Federation, of which Israel was a founder-member in 1964.

The Asian body's action followed a strongly-worded protest sent it on Tuesday by the ILTA, after it was learned that Israel would be barred from the event. In addition, the Indonesian LTA ignored Israel's request for entry visas for her players and Congress representative.

ILTA chairman Avram Feiger told *The Post* yesterday he was pleased "the Asian Federation has supported Israel's stand against political discrimination, but we regret that some member-nations of the group have violated this principle and mixed politics with sport."

He said that in the ILTA's official invitation to the Asian Federships here, Israel would welcome ation to hold next year's championand guarantee entry visas to every Asian country wishing to participate, irrespective of whether they have diplomatic relations with us." (In addition to Indonesia, the Asian Federation includes four Moslem states: Afghanistan, Iran, Malaysia and Pakistan, with none of which Israel has official diplomatic relations.)

ILTA is now also "in dispute" with its Iranian opposite number over the European Zone Davis Cup preliminary between the two countries. Although the Davis Cup nations committee accepted ILTA's explanation that Israel could not play the tie as scheduled last October because of the war, and ruled that a new date should be fixed, the Iranians have constantly refussed to do this. Last week they called for a walkover into the first-round proper of the competition, a demand which Israel is rejecting out of hand. The tie must be completed by April 6.

Reuters reports from Jakarta:

The Indonesian Foreign Ministry yesterday confirmed that no visas would be issued to Israelis wishing to take part in the Asian tennis championships in Jakarta next month.

Indonesia also wanted the tournament to be postponed until April for technical reasons, he said. He added that the decision not to invite Israel was in line with government policy.

J'lem confirms visits by Eban, Jobert

Jerusalem Post Staff

The foreign ministers of Israel and France will exchange official visits during this year, officials in Jerusalem confirmed yesterday. There had been reports for some weeks that contacts were proceeding between Jerusalem and Paris with a view to arranging the visits as the first step to normalizing relations, strained since 1967.

Israel's ambassador to France, Mr. Asher Ben-Natan, met with French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert on Wednesday and presented him with Israel's formal invitation.

Mr. Jobert's visit to Israel will take place later in the year — after the visit of Israel's Mr. Eban to Paris.

Bomb at Rishon bus station had minutes to go

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RISHON LEZION. — A police sapper yesterday morning dismantled a small bomb at the central bus station here, minutes before it was set to go off.

The bomb was inside a small yellow nylon bag tucked into the back seat of a bus that pulled into Rishon Lezion empty, after driving Arab workers from Gaza to Tel Aviv.

Nine passengers boarded the bus as it was about to leave from the central bus station on a local route to the Ramat Eliahu Quarter. A tenth noticed the bag and decided to turn it over to the station manager, Shmuel Bidlovsky.

Mr. Bidlovsky told *The Jerusalem Post* he peeked inside, saw many wires, heard a ticking noise and shouted to a driver to summon the police. Holding the bag gently, he ran towards a "security pit" at the station built specially for the deposit of suspicious objects. He laid the bag gently in the pit and kept people back from the spot.

Mr. Bidlovsky said the police arrived in minutes, at 7.12 a.m. (a rush hour at the central bus station). The police sapper dismantled the bomb. Its clock showed that at 7.15 a.m. — three minutes later — it was set to explode.

The bomb was made up of two kilos of flammable material, a small plastic container of fuel and an electric circuit connected to the time device.

Gaza terrorists get long jail sentences

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — The Military Court here on Monday sentenced three Gaza Strip men to long prison terms for a series of terror acts.

The three are Abdul Karim Abu-Masoud, 42; Mohammed Abdullah Abdurrahman, 42; and Hussein Hassan Abu-Said, 29, all of the Burej refugee camp. They were captured by an army patrol in a cave near Burej in January, 1972, with a large arsenal of weapons — including automatic rifles and submachine guns, pistols, grenades, detonators and mines, and bazookas — in their possession.

Each of the terrorists was convicted of planting mines, throwing grenades and kidnapping. All three were also found guilty of ambushing a military jeep with three soldiers, on whom they fired when the vehicle hit a mine they had planted. The soldiers escaped with light wounds.

Abu-Masoud, the group's leader, was sentenced to a total of 210 years, of which he will serve 25 (the rest being suspended). Abdurrahman was given a total of 31 years, with 23 years suspended, and Abu-Said was sented to 75 years, of which he will serve 25.

Lahat commission on collapse of three-storey annex

Tel Aviv building inspectors found 'inadequate'

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

[TE]L AVIV. — A special inquiry [co]mmission set up by Mayor Shlomo [Lahat] to investigate the collapse of [a] three-storey annex to an apart[me]nt house, in the Bavli quarter, [fou]nd that inspectors earlier sent [to] investigate the soundness of the [str]ucture had lacked the necessary [pr]ofessional knowledge for the job.
The commission is composed of [Cit]y controller Zvi Ayalon, head of [th]e building section of the Israel [St]andards Institute, Dr. Moshe Te'[...] and engineer Shimon Yaron of [th]e Association of Engineers and [Ar]chitects. Their report criticizes [th]e inability of the municipal build[in]g department to cope with unsafe [st]ructures.
The situation, they note, is par[tic]ularly grave considering the con[di]tion of some of the city's older buildings and the building methods used in the city's first years.

Mayor Lahat, who received the report yesterday, says he is studying it and that he will take effective measures to see that such potentially dangerous situations do not recur.

MID 1950S

The three-storey annex in question collapsed on the evening of February 19. It had been added in 1961 to a building erected originally in the mid 1950s. Large cracks in the walls were widening for a number of weeks, and one of the residents alerted the municipal engineering department on January 3, more than a month before Mr. Lahat took office. A day later two municipal inspectors told the residents that there was nothing to worry about, as the building was in no danger whatever. No one was hurt when the structure collapsed.

The inquiry commission reported that the inspectors who reassured the residents did not have sufficient technical knowledge or professional background to determine whether the building was safe or not. Their statement to the residents "did not have sufficient basis to back it up," the commission report says. (The inspectors also did not inform the residents in writing of their findings although this is required by law. Only when one of the residents demanded a written report, was one supplied.)

FIXED PROCEDURE

The Commission found that there is no fixed procedure in the municipal construction department for a mandatory follow-up on buildings in which danger signs have appeared. In fact, the report goes on, the department is not properly geared to tackle such problems from the point of view of its size or equipment. The investigators also reported that debris from the collapsed balconies investigated was cleared in such a manner as to hamper further investigation.

OBLIGED

The committee pointed out the city is obliged by law to detect dangerous buildings and to take steps to prevent their collapsing. The city, they say, should take the initiative in checking out buildings, update its equipment, see that future building checks are handled by qualified personnel and clearly define responsibility in the matter.

In cases of uncertainty about the condition of a building, it should be tested closely by experts.

The commission found that the Shikun Bavli annex that collapsed was planned without proper attention to soil conditions and to the demands of a building of that height. The construction work and materials used were of inferior quality. The final straw was heavy rain which caused the soil beneath the foundations to settle, bringing about a rapid deterioration in the building's condition. The concrete used was of such poor quality that the steel reinforcements were corroded. Moreover, not all sections of the building were reinforced with steel.

NO KNOWLEDGE

The commission was unable to discover the identity of the contractor; the Contractors' Association has no knowledge of him.

The commission recommended that the city keep a detailed file on each building project which would include the name of the contractor and other information needed to locate him if necessary.

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Japan faces heavy deficit in meeting rising oil prices

BANGKOK (Reuter). — Japan has recorded its lowest annual growth rate of the postwar period and faces a multi-million dollar deficit this year because of higher oil prices, it was disclosed here yesterday.

Reishi Teshima, Japanese representative to a conference on the energy crisis, told delegates from 36 countries that government forecasts for fiscal year 1974 put the real economic growth rate at 2.5 per cent, compared with the previous annual average of 10 per cent.

This was "the lowest figure the Japanese economy has ever experienced in the postwar period," he said.

He added that imports of crude oil in 1974 would cost Japan about $15,000m. compared with $7,000m. to $8,000m. for the current fiscal year leading to an estimated deficit of $4,800m.

In Tokyo, business leaders came under sharp criticism again yesterday as a special three-day debate on allegations of profiteering ended in the Diet (Parliament).

A total of 23 big company presidents appeared before the Lower House Budget Committee to answer allegations of profiteering, hoarding and market cornering during the oil crisis.

The companies under fire ranged from an electric appliance manufacturer to paper and synthetic detergent producers.

Japanese public employees, meanwhile, were on a collision course with the government last night after Chief Cabinet Secretary Susumu Nikaido warned them that a strike called for today was illegal.

He also said that stern action would be taken against public workers — who are forbidden by law from striking — if the 24-hour walkout took place.

The government's attitude was backed up by a Supreme Court ruling that public employees were subject to harsher disciplinary measures than would normally be expected for workers in private enterprise.

UN will probe border dispute of Iraq, Iran

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The U.N. Security Council yesterday decided on a one-man, three-month investigation of border trouble between Iran and Iraq.

French Ambassador Louis de Guiringaud, Council President for February, called a meeting yesterday afternoon to read out a consensus on the Council's behalf, calling for the inquiry.

The meeting was the Council's third in 14 days on a February 12 Iraqi complaint of a February 10 Iranian attack, countered by Iranian charges of Iraqi attacks.

The President made the arrangements on Wednesday night when Iran and Iraq agreed on the text of a consensus they had got from Iraq's fellow nonpermanent members of the Council and revised in negotiations through him.

William Calley leaves a Columbus, Georgia, civil court, on Wednesday, free on $1,000 bail. (AP radiophoto)

U.S. Army may appeal freeing Calley on bail

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Army said on Wednesday that it has not decided whether to appeal against a judge's order freeing Lt. William Calley on bail while his murder conviction in the My Lai massacre case is being reviewed.

"A possible appeal is under study," a spokesman said, while Secretary of the Army Howard Callaway conferred with his top civilian and military lawyers.

One senior lawyer, describing the development as unique in a case of this kind, told a reporter, "We are scratching our heads right now" on how to proceed.

Meanwhile, the Army spokesman said that military police guards have been removed from Calley's quarters at Fort Benning, Georgia, and that he is free to come and go as he wishes, with no requirement that he report to his military superiors for any assignment.

Calley has been under house arrest since April 1971, shortly after he was convicted by a court-martial of premeditated murder of at least 22 Vietnamese civilians at My Lai, South Vietnam, in March 1968.

The Soviet Tass News Agency expressed disdain over Calley's release on bail.

"So this hangman of the Vietnamese people has been released," Tass said in a report from New York.

It said that after the My Lai massacre became known, "authorities hastened to dismiss those responsible for it with Calley being left as a 'scapegoat.'

"Now the American judicial authorities have decided to correct his 'mistake' by setting Calley free on a ridiculous small bail of $1,000.

"Calley himself, motivating his petition to the court of appeals, said cynically that he might still be useful to society."

Beirut press sees peace prospects now brighter

BEIRUT (Reuter). — Lebanese newspapers yesterday front-paged the current Middle East tour of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and the arrival of his Soviet counterpart, Andrei Gromyko, in Damascus on an unannounced visit.

Their comments centred largely on Dr. Kissinger's success in obtaining a list of Israelis held prisoner in Syria since the October war.

"An-Nahar" said the chances for peace were now stronger than a resumption of fighting in the area, after Dr. Kissinger had obtained the list of Israeli prisoners.

"The logic of a peaceful settlement has proved to be stronger than the minor obstacles to peace... and though there remain some reservations over such logic, the possibility of achieving the results desired in both Syria and Israel will fling open the road to success," "An-Nahar" added.

Kissinger's current tour would be a decisive one regarding the resumption of the Geneva Middle East peace talks, it added.

"Egypt is linked with Syria, and Syria with the Palestinians and all with the oil embargo. Achieving a Syrian-Israel agreement on the prisoners, the refugees and disengagement is a basic and perhaps the minimum condition for the lifting of the embargo," the newspaper said.

Another daily, "Al Anwar," said Washington knew well that lifting the oil embargo depends on Israel withdrawal from the Golan Heights and therefore Dr. Kissinger would not go back to Washington before persuading Israel to disengage.

"The game is not one of bluff as portrayed by the U.S., where the oil ball hits that of withdrawal to collide with the ball of peace. The Arabs hold the trump card. Washington can only play the role of mediator in a deal where the Arabs are the winners," "Al Anwar" said.

"Al Hayat" said it believed the Soviet Union supported Dr. Kissinger's current efforts, as a message from Soviet Communist Party Leader Leonid Brezhnev to Syrian President Assad preceded Kissinger's arrival in Damascus on Tuesday.

"Though the contents of the letter have not been published, comment by President Assad to the American Secretary of State on a list of Israeli prisoners may be a direct result of this letter," the newspaper said.

The arrival of Gromyko in Damascus on an unannounced visit raised many questions as to why the Soviet Foreign Minister did not make such a step during the Egypt-Israel disengagement talks on the Suez Canal front.

The newspaper asked whether it was because the Syrian front was more difficult than that of the Egyptians, thus requiring the efforts of the two superpowers.

'Anti-Confucius campaign not aimed at present officials'

HONGKONG (AP). — An American university president just back from China said yesterday he was repeatedly assured by Chinese that the current anti-Confucius and anti-Lin Piao campaign was not directed against any present highly-placed Chinese officials.

John Oswald, of Pennsylvania State University, said that throughout the 21 days he and 15 others from the university toured China, they were told time and again that the present campaign was "a consolidation and continuation of the cultural revolution aimed at eradicating (Lin Piao) remnants who could lead China to revisionism" but that these did not include any one in the ranking hierarchy.

And as far as he and members of his group could see, Oswald said, the campaign had not produced any disruption in China's economy, political operation, and life style.

He also said his group had not encountered any hostility from the Chinese people during its visit to China. "When we told this to some Western diplomats in Peking, they were somewhat surprised," he said.

Asked whether the current campaign would affect the U.S.-China detente, Oswald said the Chinese he met were never critical of Americans but they usually went out of their way to be critical of the Soviet Union.

The Chinese also often implied that there were massive Russian troop movements along the Russia-China border, he added.

Turning to China's educational system, Oswald said the schools in China are "under complete control of the (Communist) Party." China's universities, he continued, are in a transitional period with more emphasis on ideology and practical participation in production. "Because they are in a transitional period text books are almost non-existent. Most of the old text books are purely academic," he continued.

43 Mexican sailors believed drowned

MEXICO CITY (Reuter). — Forty-three Mexican sailors were yesterday feared to have died when a navy ship sank about 96 kms. from the Atlantic port of Veracruz.

Minesweepers and planes scoured the area but picked up only three survivors and four bodies, the Marine Ministry said.

The ship, a 1,600-ton tug, sank last Monday in rough seas after radioing that it had engine trouble.

South Vietnam's naval chief fired

SEOUL (AP). — President Chung Hee Park fired South Korea's chief of naval operations and his deputy yesterday because of the loss of at least 150 navy men in the sinking of a tugboat.

Those dismissed were Adm. Kim Kyu Sop and Rear Rdm. Oh Yun Kyung.

The 120-ton tugboats capsized and sank last Friday of Chungmu, on the south coast, as it was ferrying 316 navy men back to their ship 700 yards off the harbour.

African states urged to expel Portuguese

PARIS (UPI). — President Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea, in an interview with "Afrique-Asie" magazine, called on Black African states to unite militarily and expel Portugal from its African provinces.

"The African States each have an armed force," Sekou Toure said. "If we unite in declaring open war against Portuguese Fascism, we can break, in a short time, the entire colonial system installed by the Portuguese and liberate totally and forever Portuguese Guinea, Angola (Portuguese West Africa) and Mozambique (Portuguese East Africa)."

4 Turkish leftists get life sentences

ANKARA (AP). — A martial law court here yesterday sentenced four leftists to death on charges of plotting to overthrow the government by force. The court immediately commuted the sentences to life imprisonment.

The court also meted out jail terms ranging between eight years to 10 months to 11 other defendants. Three were acquitted.

The court said death sentences were commuted to life terms because the defendants were all young, in their early 20s.

CABLES IN BRIEF

BISHOP — The Archbishop of Bilbao was reported under virtual house arrest in Madrid yesterday and there were reports the government was seeking Vatican permission to indict him for a sermon urging more freedom for Basques.

DIPLOMACY — The Iraqi Government yesterday announced the resumption of diplomatic relations with West Germany at ambassadorial level. They were broken off in 1965 because of Bonn's recognition of Israel.

ELECTRONICS — The Japanese electronics firm Fujitsu said yesterday in Tokyo that it had signed an agreement to help Algeria build a 120,000 million yen (IL1,900m.) telecommunications system.

TOURISTS — Five hundred round-the-world tourists from the liner France crossed the Hong Kong border into China yesterday on a two-day visit to Canton, in the first tour from U.S. and Western nations to China since the Communists took over.

DEATH. — Eugene Jeen Knopf, French president of the Italian affiliate of Dun and Bradstreet, was stabbed in a street attack in Milan on Wednesday night, and fatally injured when hit by a car as he fled from his assailant.

Mafia chieftain surrenders after 2 years in hiding

NEW YORK (UPI). — A Mafia chieftain, named by an underworld informant as the man who ordered the assassination of mobster Joseph "Crazy Joe" Gallo, surrendered to police yesterday after nearly two years in hiding.

Joseph Yacovelli, 46, reputed to be acting head of the Joseph Colombo crime family, walked unannounced into the offices of a radio station which contacted the police. He was later arraigned as a material witness in the Gallo case before Manhattan Criminal Court Judge Jawn Sandifer and ordered to appear at the Manhattan district attorney's office on March 8 for questioning.

Gallo was gunned down on April 7, 1972, as he celebrated his 43rd birthday at a restaurant in Manhattan's Italian Quarter.

The killing climaxed a long-standing feud between the crime syndicates headed by Gallo and the Mafia chieftain Joseph Colombo Sr.

U.S. may restore death penalty

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee approved a bill on Wednesday providing for restoration of the death penalty in certain circumstances, as urged by President Nixon.

The death penalty could be imposed under federal law only for treason, espionage and murder and for such crimes as kidnapping and aircraft hijacking when death results

The bill is designed to overcome a 1972 Supreme Court decision holding that the death penalty, as applied under most federal and state laws, was unconstitutional.

150 terrorists on hunger strike in Lebanese jails

BEIRUT (AP). — Some 150 ex-Palestinian terrorists have gone on a hunger strike in Lebanese prisons, demanding trial or immediate release, sources reported yesterday.

Most of the strikers have been in jail since the 1969 civil war between the terrorist movement and the Lebanese Army. The rest have been held since the two week Army-terrorist collision of May, 1973, the sources said.

The terrorist controlled Falastin News Agency "WAFA" said the strike began on Sunday and that several prisoners were now in "rapidly deteriorating physical condition."

There was no immediate comment from the Lebanese Government.

The French-language Beirut newspaper "As-Safa" said the strikers demanded the formation of a joint Palestine Lebanese Commission under top terrorist leader Yasser Arafat to visit them in prison and ensure defence rights for them.

Kuwait sends 5 Rome airport killers to Cairo

CAIRO (UPI). — The five terrorists responsible for the December Rome airport massacre arrived here from Kuwait yesterday, airport officials said.

The five have been under detention in Kuwait since their surrender to the authorities there on December 18.

Thirty-one persons died when terrorists threw fire bombs into a Pan-Am Airliner awaiting take-off at the airport on December 17. The terrorists then hijacked a West German Lufthansa airliner to Athens and then to Kuwait, killing one of their hostages along the way.

The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) said it would try them before a terrorist court if it could find another Arab country willing to accept them. The Cairo newspaper "Al Ahram" said yesterday that President Sadat had agreed to let PLO officials bring them to Egypt.

Egyptian officials and the PLO office in Cairo refused to say when the five were taken after arriving in Cairo.

7 SURGEONS IN 9-HOUR OPERATION

Kidney removed, cured, put back

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP). — A New York State man was in fair condition yesterday, recovering from a rare operation in which surgeons removed, repaired and reimplanted his cancerous kidney.

Surgeons at Albany Medical Centre removed a growth the size of a small grapefruit from the lone kidney of Werner Schessing, 51, in a nine-hour procedure on February 11, a hospital spokesman said. The organ, reduced to about one-third the size of a normal kidney, was then sewn together and reconnected to Schessing's body.

Schessing's other kidney had been removed 10 years ago by surgeons in his native Germany after it became tubercular.

His remaining segment of kidney should provide him with adequate kidney functions, barring complications, his physicians said. He is expected to be discharged within a week.

Schessing, a carpenter, moved to the U.S. in 1960.

The operation involved seven surgeons. The cancerous kidney was removed, placed atop a nearby operating "bench," and attached to a machine which cooled and preserved the organ. For the next [illegible] hours, one group of surgeons worked on the kidney removing a "grapefruit-sized" tumour and sewing together the remaining healthy tissue. Another group explored for possible further malignancies, but found none.

The newly-implanted kidney began functioning less than an hour after Schessing was removed from the recovery room.

India, Pakistan and Bangladesh FMs will meet

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — The Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, is to arrive here on March 28 for a week's official visit to India, it was announced here yesterday.

Earlier, the Indian Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, said there would be a meeting "very soon" among India, Bangladesh and Pakistan to discuss further normalization of relations in the sub-continent.

It is expected this meeting will be at Foreign Minister's level and precede Sheikh Mujib's visit here.

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Rocket terrorists say they can't raise bail

By LISA BILLIG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ROME. — Three Arabs granted provisional liberty on Wednesday after being convicted of illegal possession of Soviet-made missiles — which, it is believed, they planned to use to shoot down an El Al plane — can't raise their bail, their lawyer said yesterday.

Edmondo Zappacosta, who has represented the men since their arrest last September, filed notice of an appeal against the court's decision ordering the men to pay bail of IL136,000 each.

"They just do not have this money," Dr. Zappacosta said.

The organizations, or countries, as yet anonymous which are expected to produce the "freedom money" will, by paying it, prove that the three men are considered of great importance to their sponsors.

The three men are Mahmoud Nahil Mohamed Admikany 22, from Lebanon, Gabriel Khouri, 26, from Iraq, and Ehlendi Amir 28, from Algeria.

It is a foregone conclusion that they will eventually be released just like all terrorists before them. Although their court sentence was five years and two months in jail each, the decision offered the possibility of "temporary release" upon payment of the bail. The word "temporary" is, of course, a mere formality, this provision having provided a legal excuse for the expatriation of troublesome terrorists ever since its legislation several years ago.

The other two terrorists involved in the missile plot — Ghassan Ahmed al-Hadithi and Al Tayet Ali al-Fergani (the latter was reportedly a pseudonymn for Aatof Bassisso, a Black September leader) were freed on the "temporary release" provision several months ago and were reportedly escorted to Libya by an Italian military plane.

The case was different from previous terrorist incidents in that the three men were actually brought to trial, that the trial was tough going for the defence, that the verdict was "guilty" and that the bail was a sizable amount.

The defence went as far as to theorize that the "missiles plot" was actually an Israel frame-up planned to counteract the blow to Israel's reputation when the International Civil Aviation Organization condemned Israel for detaining an Arab plane supposedly carrying George Habash.

The decision to give in to the blackmail of terrorism was criticized by some of the Italian press yesterday, with the fear expressed that this could provide a dangerous precedent, even for common criminals. Italian authorities had been working under the pressure of threats ever since the arrest of the three Arabs, with warnings of a reprisal unless they were released by yesterday.

Libya, where two of the five Arabs in the plot are assumed to be, has great importance to Italy following Libyan Foreign Minister Jalloud's recent visit. Informed circles report that the rush to complete the trial coincides, not by mere chance, with Jalloud's visit. New substantial economic agreements were arranged, providing Libyan petroleum for Italy in exchange for Italian industrial, technical and political support of Libya.

One Italian newspaper, "La Voce Republicana," insinuated that "general technical aid," aside from the export of Italian technicians, might conceal the export of arms. Until recently Italy had been exporting ground arms that were originally sent to Italy by the U.S., until the U.S. objected to this rerouting.

Bonn, Tripoli seen expanding cooperation

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Chancellor Willy Brandt spoke optimistically yesterday about the chances for expanded cooperation between West Germany and Libya.

Brandt, in a luncheon toast to visiting Libyan Premier Abdel Salam Jalloud, said their talks "have shown possibilities of expanding mutual relations based on common interests."

This was echoed after talks between the Libyan and Foreign Minister Walter Scheel when the Foreign Ministry said that, within the framework of European-Arab cooperation, there was "still much room" for bilateral relations.

Bonn has long been interested in improving ties with Libya, which is West Germany's biggest single supplier of oil, 25 million tons last year. The Libyans, in turn, are understood to want greater Bonn technical aid and experts to help build up their economy. Jalloud also met with Cabinet members in charge of economics and development aid.

He will visit industrial firms, including the Krupp Steel company in Essen, during the remainder of his stay here.

TRADE. — An eight-member Saudi Arabian industrial and trade mission arrived in Talpei yesterday for a nine-day visit to discuss cooperation.

Finance Minister quits

WAR ON INFLATION SPLITS ROME CABINET

ROME (Reuter). — Italian Treasury Minister Ugo la Malfa resigned last night, plunging the country into a full-scale political crisis.

Political observers said it seemed certain that the four-party coalition, headed by Christian Democrat Mariano Rumor, would be forced to resign following the withdrawal of support by La Malfa, who is also leader of the Italian Republican Party.

La Malfa, 70, said in a resignation letter addressed to the Premier that he was quitting because of the bitter arguments generated by Italy's negotiation of a $1,200m. loan from the International Monetary Fund.

The four-party Cabinet is scheduled to meet today to discuss terms of the loan.

Observers said it seemed impossible that the Government — which took office in June last year — would be able to continue without the leader of the small but influential Republican Party.

It had been known for several months that La Malfa disagreed with his colleagues on several points of economic policy, but his move last night was unexpected. After widespread reports this week — generated mainly by Socialist Party fears of deflationary aspects in the IMF deal — it was thought that the danger point had been passed.

La Malfa had pressed for extensive cut-backs in government spending as a way of slowing Italy's runaway inflation. But Socialist Budget Minister Antonio Giolitti favoured State subsidies to producers as a way of keeping prices down.

The Socialist Party was reported unhappy with terms of the IMF loan, which it feared could involve harsh deflationary measures boosting unemployment.

THE EMPEROR ADDRESSES HIS TROOPS. Haile Selassie tells his mutinous army in Addis Ababa yesterday that he has raised their pay. (AP radiophoto)

Messmer's reshuffle doesn't impress public

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Premier Pierre Messmer is expected to announce the names of the members of his new cabinet sometime this morning, but there was little chance that any surprises would emerge from the new list, informed sources said yesterday.

Wednesday's attempt to dramatise the political scene, when Mr. Messmer resigned and was re-appointed six hours later, apparently left the French population at large totally indifferent, and even political circles did not see the move as making any particular impact on the domestic scene here.

The opposition, as expected, said the manoeuvre was aimless, and added that "the new Pierre Messmer will certainly do no better than the old Pierre Messmer."

Pierre Messmer on his way to report to President Pompidou yesterday on his Cabinet reshuffling. (AP radiophoto)

Among government supporters no comment was yet forthcoming as the clans within the Gaullist majority waited to see who would be evicted from which post in the new Cabinet. Foreign Minister Michel Jobert will definitely remain in, and he even continued to plan trips abroad just hours after the government of which he was a member had resigned.

Jobert is a long-time confidant of President Pompidou as well as being the energetic operator of his foreign policy, and there seemed no chance whatsoever that he would not continue to maintain his hold over the Quai d'Orsay.

The brilliant and fiercely ambitious Finance Minister, Valery Giscard d'Estaing, has already told the press that he will also remain in the new Cabinet. Giscard d'Estaing did not, however, clarify whether he would remain in his present capacity and there was some cautious speculation that he would receive a less important post.

Giscard d'Estaing has been at odds with Messmer for weeks on how to combat France's spiralling prices. Circles close to Pompidou blame him for undermining government cohesion and authority.

There is no question of evicting Giscard from the Cabinet altogether, since he would possibly be a very dangerous opponent and critic of government policies if he acted independently outside of it.

Giscard, even if he is downgraded to the Social Affairs Ministry or another post at the same level, is satisfied at remaining in the government, since he is known to believe that it is easier to build one's image when working within the establishment than when acting as just another member in the ineffectual opposition chorus.

One man whose name was on the "execution list," according to informed sources, was Transport Minister Yves Guena, who has also clashed recently with Messmer and whose handling of the Concorde affair was found below par by Pompidou.

The tough Interior Minister, Raymond Marcellin, was believed to be among the men retained by Messmer but it is widely believed that he will be given another post.

But whether Messmer's authority over his collegues and his popularity among the population in general will gain from the recent moves yet remained to be seen.

Ethiopian troops win pay rise — if money can be found

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — Emperor Haile Selassie yesterday named a new partial cabinet and announced pay rises for the armed forces in an effort to quell a military revolt throughout his kingdom.

There was an initial favourable reaction from the dissident troops who were, in effect, in charge of the entire country.

The revolt was sparked on Tuesday by military demands for extra pay which were later expanded to include dismissal of the cabinet, which consequently resigned on Wednesday night.

Haile Selassie yesterday named Endackachew Mokenon, an aristocrat and Minister of Communications in the outgoing cabinet, as Prime Minister, and two army officers as Army Commander and Interior Minister. Other portfolios will be announced later.

The official communique also said the basic pay of privates will be increased effective immediately from $E100 to $E112 (IL240 — IL270) monthly and other non-commissioned ranks to $E150 (IL360). With new fringe benefits a private's pay will be nearer IL360, military observers said, which was the original key demand.

There was no immediate indication if the armed forces would accept the new conditions, though one leaflet distributed later said that at least one army unit would accept. Some diplomats suggested the insurrection may have spread too far to stop immediately.

Battle troops with machineguns and rifles moved into Addis Ababa yesterday and surrounded key buildings — banks, the post office, communications facilities. Others set up road blocks on the outskirts of the city. Armoured personnel carriers and helicopters took over the airport which was briefly closed and then reopened.

An 8 p.m. curfew was announced.

A ministerial meeting of the 41-nation Organization of African Unity was cancelled in mid-session, but otherwise life continued normally in the capital.

An army helicopter sprayed the city with thousands of leaflets throughout the day. The first leaflets praised the Emperor for getting rid of an unpopular and "corrupt" cabinet, but insisted that troops in the capital would not move to fight rebel soldiers in Asmara in the north.

The second text said the former cabinet ministers must "now be brought to account," and diplomatic sources said they would not be allowed to leave the country.

The leaflet further said any wealth transferred overseas must be returned, land and property must be distributed among the poor, and high-level appointments approved "by the people."

In the north, soldiers from the elite Second Division continued to hold Asmara, and troops and sailors were in charge of Massawa, Ethiopia's principal naval port, on the Red Sea.

Diplomatic sources said the Government will have difficulty in meeting the new wage bill. Military expenditures already account for 35 per cent of the budget of this very poor country.

"I just don't know where they are going to get the extra money from," one military observer said. "They've already lost budgeted revenue when they reduced petroleum prices."

This was a reference to disturbances in Addis Ababa last week following an increase in petroleum prices. The Government was forced to grant concessions and reduce the prices.

Secessionists to expand fight

CAIRO (AP). — The Eritrean Liberation Front plans to escalate its guerrilla war against Ethiopia to take advantage of the current army unrest, an ELF spokesman says.

ELF has been fighting for the past 10 years against Emperor Haile Selassie's regime, demanding autonomy for Eritrea, Ethiopia's northernmost province.

The ELF representative in Cairo said the Ethiopian Government allocates more than one-third of its budget for the counter-insurgency war in Eritrea.

Eritrea, with 600 miles of Red Sea coast, has about one-sixth of Ethiopia's 20 million population, one of its two major sea ports, Massawa, and more than one-third of its industry.

'Guernica' sprayed with red

NEW YORK (AP). — A man who said he was an artist wanting to "tell the truth" sprayed red paint across the famed "Guernica" painting by Pablo Picasso at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City yesterday.

The alleged vandal was apprehended by museum officials and taken into police custody within minutes. He was named by police as Tony Shafrazi, 25, holder of an Iranian passport.

He is said to have written "Kill lies all."

Museum personnel began removing the paint from the large mural immediately. It was reported that the painting was undamaged.

The gallery containing "Guernica," whose subject is the ravages of the Spanish Civil War, was closed after the vandalism.

Election setback for Indira Gandhi

NEW DELHI (AP). — Prime Minister Indira Gandhi suffered major reverses last night in an important election for control of her home state's legislature.

There was no doubt that the Prime Minister's Congress Party would emerge as the largest single grouping in the 425-seat Uttar Pradesh Assembly

But the Congress was in danger of losing its absolute majority, an action that could force Mrs. Gandhi to seek the support of the pro-Moscow Communists or some independents, to enable the party to form a government in India's largest state.

With 370 results declared, the Congress had 182 seats and needed to win 31 of the remaining 55 seats for a majority.

The next largest party was the Bharatiya Karanti Dal, a breakaway Congress group, with 98 seats, followed by the Hindu Nationalist Jan Sangh, with 50, and the pro-Moscow Communists with 13.

Vietcong fails in bid to enter Geneva parley

GENEVA (AP). — The Vietcong's "provisional revolutionary government" last night narrowly lost in its bid to win admission to the 108-nation diplomatic conference updating the Geneva conventions.

A resolution calling for the Vietcong's participation, which was backed by all Communist and several non-aligned countries, was defeated 38-37 in a roll call vote.

Thirty-three nations abstained.

The vote came after a three-hour debate in which the U.S. delegate, George H. Aldrich, urged the conference members to have "the courage and the good sense" to oppose the admission of "this shadow organization."

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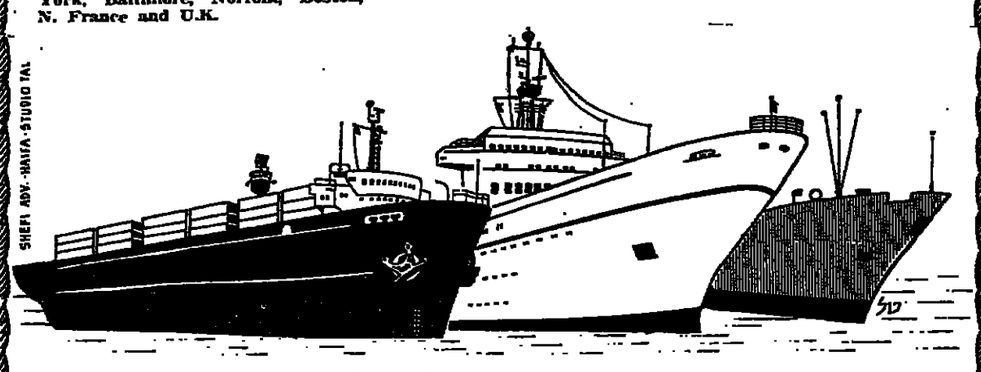

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Composer Berio stretches limits of tradition

By YOHANAN BOEHM

THERE is little personal information available about composer Luciano Berio, one of the leading names in contemporary music, and he himself is reticent on the subject. But he is extremely articulate when a musical subject is under discussion.

Born in 1925 into a family of musicians in Oneglia in Italy, he studied composition, piano and conducting at the Verdi Conservatoire in Milan — he considers the prizes he won as too unimportant to be mentioned. With Bruno Maderna, he was a co-founder of Milan Radio's Studio for Electronic Music. In 1963, he went to the United States where he taught at the Juilliard School for seven years. He has been living in Rome for the past two years, but travels extensively conducting mainly his own compositions. His newest interest is the establishment, together with Pierre Boulez and Vinko Globokar, of a new kind of music institute in Paris. Financed by the French Government, the institute will devote itself to the production of electronic and computer music, as well as research into the physiology of the human voice and the psychological and sociological aspects of music in general.

Precise composer

Berio himself is very precise in his compositions, and the notation of his scores is clear. He writes the most impressive music within the scope of ordinary instruments, though he stretches the limits of tradition beyond the customary.

When discussing his own music, Mr. Berio gives his explanations in dry and technical language. It is his wife, Cathy Berberian, who interpolates explanations of its emotional content.

Cathy Berberian, the eminent singer, is a born New Yorker of pure Armenian stock. She is proud of her heritage and finds many similarities between her people and the Jews. She began to study piano, dance and acting at an early age, but her parents did not encourage ambitions for a professional career. When she eventually took up singing, she began by playing records of great artists and singing along with them. Strangely enough, most of them were basses and Miss Berberian still thinks that her extraordinarily wide-ranged voice (more than three octaves) owes its rich low register to this unorthodox training. It was only when she went to Milan that she began to study vocal technique.

Shocked wife

When Cathy met and married Luciano Berio, she was at first shocked by his "modern" music. He taught her to understand it by playing her a record of excerpts from Berg's "Wozzek." Slowly, with repeated hearing, she began first to understand and finally to love this kind of music and today she is the unchallenged queen of its interpreters. Her example might well be followed by all who are afraid of unaccustomed music.

The programmes to be given by the Berios in three concerts with the Israel Chamber Ensemble (tomorrow night at the Jerusalem Theatre; on Sunday at Haifa's Shavit Hall; and on Monday at the Tel Aviv Museum) consist of three works by

Berio and five small Milhaud symphonies.

Berio has written 11 "Sequences on Epiphany" (Epiphany not in the religious sense but used as a synonym for "apparition").

The two "Sequences" chosen for this programme are based on James Joyce ("Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man") and Antonio Machado, a living Spanish poet. Written in 1959-61, the complete work would last about forty minutes.

No dynamics

In "Sequences," written for Cathy Berberian in 1965 on Swiss writer Markus Kutter, no dynamics are given. Instead, adjectives are employed to describe the desired emotional effect, which, of course, indicate appropriate dynamics to the singer. Several short phrases from a poem are continuously permuted thus giving the "Sequences" their name. Finally, "Folksongs" (1964) is an anthology of some folktunes — American, Armenian, French, Sicilian, Sardinian, Italian, Auvergnois, and Azerbeidjan linked by instrumental interludes.

There can be no better examples of serious artists dedicated to the creation and interpretation of "modern" music than Luciano Berio and Cathy Berberian. They do not live in an ivory tower and are very human. They are also the youngest looking grandparents I know.

Both, incidentally, were highly appreciative of the medical attention provided for Mr. Berio when shoulder-pains hampered his working schedule.

So, don't be afraid of contemporary music. Luciano Berio's music performed by Cathy Berberian will provide you with a memorable experience.

A SINGER SHOULDN'T TAKE THE BATON

REGRETTABLY it is the fashion of the day for great instrumentalists to turn to conducting, often with mediocre results. Now Fischer-Dieskau the world-famous *singer* has taken to wielding the baton. But even this great artist who is a fine musician, a thinker and a remarkable writer on music, is not a great conductor.

For his debut with the IPO (Tel Aviv, Mann Auditorium, Feb. 21), Fischer-Dieskau chose two romantic symphonies: Schubert's B flat Major No. 5 and Schumann's No. 3, the "Rhenish." Both were disappointing. To cover up for his lack of conducting technique, Fischer-Dieskau tries not to miss even the smallest detail, But there was no clear conception and no organic flow of ideas, and occasionally he had difficulty in keeping the orchestra together. All through the four movements of Schubert there was a surprising monotony in dynamics and in expression; even the strings did not sing. Fischer-Dieskau's musicality broke through only in the Trio of the Menuetto.

The Schumann was not very different. The first movement was lively, but the rest seemed more like the putting together of separate phrases, rather than a symphonic construction, capable of creating an impact.

The soloist was Alfred Brendel in Mozart's C Major piano concerto.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Beach is clean and air is clean, but noisy

WAR PASSED EILAT BY

By HELGA DUDMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

OVERHEARD on an Arkia plane on the flight back to Tel Aviv, successful young executive to two similar friends: "A holiday in Eilat right now is a real pleasure — certainly more than going to Europe..."

After spending a few days in Eilat (to see a friend — and without a word from or to the Municipality or the Ministry of Tourism) I can report that never has the place seemed so pleasant. Never has the reality been so much better than the expectation: the beach has never been so clean, the service so good, the general atmosphere so beguiling (And don't forget that if you fly down, you have all the pleasures of a trip abroad, complete with security checks — your luggage is opened and there are separate frisking booths for men and women. So why bother with all that snobbish extra expense in time and money!)

The first thing I heard, in one form or another, from the first five Eilatis I met, was: Why did they show that terrible television programme about us? What was the point? It didn't give a true picture, and if journalists want to "expose" problems, aren't there plenty of better ones around?

It is my good fortune to live without TV; but even without seeing the programme, I arrived expecting to find a fairly dead resort town. To my amazement, the hotel at which I stayed — the Neptune — turned out to be positively swinging. A large group of Belgians made the lobby and dining-room ring with French; there were quite a few honeymooners (I did not manage, incidentally, to catch a single one talking to his or her mate, whatever this may indicate), and at the weekend, an influx of Israelis brought the occupancy rate up to nearly 70 percent. (The Neptune's average rate since December has been around 40 per cent. Even in November the figure was 20 per cent — practically all soldiers.)

Few casualties

But before statistics, the mood — for this is the most remarkable gold in the air. "The war passed this town by," one Eilati told me. And that, for somebody coming from the gloomy north, is the real holiday. With one exception (obviously, there must be a few more) I found nobody interested in the news, in "Who is a Jew," in coalition developments. Eilat has always been a never-never land, which makes for its own problems; but these days the contrast is worth the increase in the price of transportation.

Sun-worshippers take advantage of the current low rates at Eilat hotels. (Braun)

One reason for the lack of depression can be found in Eilat's incredibly small casualty list; the figure I heard, for deaths in the war, was six. This is partly due to the fact that the town's reserve units serve in the surrounding area, where there was, of course, no shooting. At the same time, nearly everybody seems to be in uniform (practically all the citizens are of military age), and you may see a young man stalking around in fatigues mornings, but serving as bartender evenings. Everybody is young, including the managers of the top hotels, who were all called up by the army: the most senior manager, I was told, is a captain in Haga.

Of course tourism is down. And of course there are problems for the town's two other main employers, the port and the Timna mines; but wages continue to be paid and the worries belong to the government. "Eilat has probably suffered much less, economically, as a result of the war, than most Israeli cities," a teacher at the high school told me.

"I've been working steadily with foreign tourists," George, the silver-haired, blue-eyed "Dean of Eilat Guides" told me, "and I'm certainly not the only one. This is always a slow time. Don't forget that February is usually the time for individuals from abroad, and not for groups."

At Azorit, the attractive jewellery workshop and display centre, where I expected to see the darkness far outweighing the light, the situation was put into nice perspective by Haim Miller. "You see that not all the display lights are on; I do have to save money," he said. "But they aren't all off, either. Exactly half are lit." Nor was the silver and Negev-stone jewellery going unseen, as a pessimist like myself might have expected. Two honeymoon couples were examining pins and necklaces, and other customers were considering purchases in European-accented English.

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THE inviting state of the beach may be due partly to the absence of throngs, and partly to the efforts of the Municipality, which has set signs on the sand reading "Pitching tents forbidden." This Pesach, I was told, the beach is to be free of those thousands of littering structures — and by edict, not because anybody will wish to.

There are, however, no signs reading "Metal bed-frames forbidden," and here and there hippies do lounge about on them, or on mattresses or sleeping bags. I do not know whether it is because sandy beards and tattered jeans are now so much part of life everywhere, but even the hippies seem cleaner than they once were. Or perhaps I am prejudiced in their favour, because practically all those I saw were either sleeping or reading, two of life's better occupations, while the meticulously groomed guests at the luxury hotels tended to be playing cards.

In the sign-and-fashion de ment, Eilat remains as hilariou ever. The English version of th tice to the airport (now also temporary quarters of the Tou Ministry) reads, "Entrance to minal without Shirt — Forbid The Hebrew original is peril less specific, Eilatis being what are. It reads, "Entrance with naked Body Forbidden."

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IF the beach is clean, and i air smells clean — whi does — it does not, unfortun sound clean. This is because se super-kiosks, immortalized in crete, send out uninterrupted of music over competing louds ers from early morning. The come up to the hotel balconies there is nothing you can do it except to go deaf, as the owners, presumably long since The noise usually starts there is a soul at the beach; on those who cannot live wi music to drown out their tho arrive with their own trans These are at least semi-privat rarely reach the hotels.

If the Municipality wants its bit to discomfort the guests, it can continue to tak action. In their present séri advertisements, Eilat's hotels mise "peace and tranquillity"; deliver it, too — except for loudspeakers. And if the hi were really serious about their ciples of privacy and peaceful they would put the evil ey something, on these noisemake

The only visible air-poll puffs merrily away in good-n bour Akaba; a phosphate pla was told. On our side of the ba five enormous tankers were empty and idle close in to long since part of the scene. costing $40,000 each per day o ness, I was told. But that doe seem much compared to the lions — at pre-June-1967 leve paid for "The Lagoon," which us eleven kilometres of "sea-l and stands as an eternal mom to "expert planning" and the ing-around of the environment panese lanterns on the ta fuelled by olive oil, would ma nice fairyland touch. Little boats flutter around the stati tankers, propelled by that re old source of energy, a breeze.

(But irrevocable damage t lat's coral reefs from oil pol goes right on, even though it seen from hotel balconies. month, according to the Natur serve Authority five serious of pollution "made the situ worse than ever; Mr. Avraham of the Authority, sent a stro worded cable to Transport Mi Shimon Peres protesting again ineffectual control of oil spil

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DISENGAGEMENT lore: here another item for the liter on the pleasant ways in Egyptian and Israeli soldiers leave of each other. Eilat's driver, Number Seven, who is a tourist guide, had just ret from "Africa" when I met him of the Egyptian soldiers we g talking to turned out to be a and guide, just like me. So I him all about our attractions and he told me about what is to see in Cairo. We'd like to each other around some day — I've already invited him to Creole" (a new restaurant now built which will specialize in tian cuisine, with cooks from au Prince).

World Bank Atlas shows disparity in incomes

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The World Bank has published the 8th edition of its Atlas, a glimpse at population and economic growth.

The 15 page statistical index, published on Sunday, included the warning that the data might be based on "incomplete and unreliable" figures. In addition, the Bank warned, "they reveal little about the absolute state of poverty in the developing world, and nothing about its distribution within each country."

The Bank noted that although real growth continues in the developing countries, "disparities in per capita income between rich and poor countries continue to increase."

The base year for the data is 1971.

At the time it showed the annual per capita income in Israel ($3,190) recipient of sizeable amounts of U.S. foreign aid) was greater than the per capita income in Japan or Italy, ordinarily considered developed countries which give aid.

The Atlas estimated the population of the People's Republic of China was the biggest in the world at 787,180,000, with a growth rate of 1.8 per cent during the 1965-71 period. India's population was estimated at 551,123,000, with a growth rate of 2.2 per cent.

The richest country in the world, uncontested, was the United States with a Gross National Product rated at $5,160 and growing during the 1965-71 period at 1.9 per cent.

Sweden trailed with a per capita output of $4,240 but a 3 per cent growth rate annually for the 1965-71 period. Canada was within $100 of Sweden and growing faster (3.4 per cent).

According to the Atlas data, several nations experienced shrinking economies: Jordan, Ghana, Senegal, South Vietnam, Cambodia, People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Sudan, Haiti, Niger, Cuba and Bangladesh.

Population growth rates for the 1965-71 period were paced by El Salvador, which had 3,679,000 residents in 1971, and a growth rate of 3.9 per cent annually. No country showed a negative population growth, but East Germany had a zero growth.

In economic growth, some of the most striking gains were made in the Communist bloc. Twenty-three countries posted average annual growth rates of five per cent or better during the 1965-71 period. Japan, Singapore, and South Korea exceeded 10 per cent.

Among others with five per cent or better growth in per capita GNP were Israel, Libya, Saudi Arabia and Iran.

UN drug warning

GENEVA (Reuter). — The U.N. warned yesterday that drug-taking throughout the world was continuing unabated, that it could become more common and that government measures were often insufficient to control it.

In its annual report the U.N.'s 11-member Narcotics Control Board said that despite greater international cooperation among governments on consumption of heroin and psychotropic substances such as LSD, there had also been no apparent reduction in widespread illicit trafficking in cannabis and cocaine.

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U.S. CHRISTIAN ACTIVIST HITS BERRIGAN FOR ANTI-SEMITISM

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By LOUIS RAPOPORT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

One of America's best-known Christian spokesmen has charged the famous Jesuit Father Daniel Berrigan with social and theological anti-Semitism. Episcopal Father Malcolm Boyd, in Jerusalem on Wednesday, condemned the ecclesiastical New Left activist for his attacks on Israel.

Father Boyd, a Christian activist who has been closely identified with the civil rights and peace movements, accused Father Berrigan of "arrogance" and attacked his "compulsive need to hold the Jew in a world of suffering."

He was responding to a speech Berrigan made to an Arab audience in Washington, which aroused widespread storm of protest from Jews. Father Boyd and Catholic theologist Michael Novack were the only Christians who wrote articles attacking Berrigan, who has a strong appeal to New Left circles.

"Berrigan seems to hold a curious image of Jews — that they are properly destined for wandering and suffering," Boyd said. "Christians have placed Jews on the rack and subjected them to the fire. What right have Christians now to demand Jewish conformity to a Christian-imposed image of continued pain, martyrdom, or deprivation?"

Boyd said he does not consider Berrigan to be a personal anti-Semite. "But social and theological anti-Semitism, whether it is consciously held or not, is a far greater danger in terms of world opinion. Father Berrigan's views are emitted in an explosive international atmosphere. And the fact that an internationally prominent Catholic should make such public comments inevitably has widespread ramifications.

No recognition

"The Second Vatican Council succeeded in absolving Jews of direct responsibility for the death of Christ, but the Vatican did not recognize the State of Israel. It is dangerous to treat the Berrigan statement as if it were made in a vacuum."

Father Boyd rebuked Berrigan for claiming that the experience of the State of Israel represents an "imperial adventure."

"Thirteen million Jews are still alive in the world today," Boyd said. "Of these, nearly 3,000,000 live in Israel, the Jewish homeland. The rest are scattered. It is surely understandable that all Jews, remembering the death of 6,000,000 in the Holocaust, are extraordinarily sensitive concerning the question of Israel's security. There is no 'imperial adventure,' as Father Berrigan could learn if he visited here. But he's never been to Israel.

He should have come here before he made his comments," Boyd said. "I would like to take him through Yad Vashem.

"Past Jewish experience has led Jews toward a new self-strength. Father Berrigan is grievously wrong when he mistakes a determination not to be sacrificed lamb-like inside a gas chamber for imperialism."

To Berrigan's assertion that "the State of Israel had become the repository, and finally the tomb, of the Jewish soul," Boyd commented: "I have found in Israel a glistening resurrection of the Jewish soul following the harsh torture and death of the Holocaust."

Father Boyd also criticized Berrigan for following "radical-chic," and for his tendency to romanticize the Third World.

In response to Berrigan's charge that Christians supporting Israel are acting out of guilt feelings towards the Jews, Boyd said:

"Guilt is not the motivating factor that Father Berrigan simplistically and erroneously finds it to be. Affirmation of life is this factor instead. Christian support of Israel is rooted in the awareness of inter-relatedness."

In reply to Berrigan's assertion that "there exists a common assumption that Israel is exempt from moral criticism," Boyd said: "Clearly, this is not so, either inside Israel or outside of it. Inside Israel, I have found a ceaselessly self-critical society. I encountered outspoken criticism of every facet of Israeli life from Arab and Jew alike. So I find an element of irresponsibility in the stunning and overt sensationalism of Father Berrigan's remarks.

Non-violent?

"And the violence of Father Berrigan's rhetoric calls into serious question his stance as an apostle of non-violence," Boyd continued "The time has come when we need to recognize that we hold a distorted picture of prophets — an exploitative theology recognizes only an enraged Christ of popular, cinematic revolutionary trappings. This serves to stereotype prophets as being angry or polemical men who blow up the peace, instead of reconciling people."

Father Boyd is the author of numerous books, including the international best-seller "Are You Running With Me, Jesus?" He is an Associate Fellow at Yale University, and Boston University recently established a permanent collection of his papers. He recently collaborated with Pulitzer Prize-winner Paul Conrad on a new book, "When in the Course of Human Events."

Father Boyd will be speaking in several U.S. cities under the auspices of the American Jewish Committee, federations of churches, and possibly Catholic dioceses on the subject of Israel and on the question of Jewish-Christian relations.

WHAT BERRIGAN SAID

IN Father Daniel Berrigan's speech to the Association of Arab University Graduates in Washington D.C., delivered during the last week of the Yom Kippur war, he accused Israel of committing "crimes against humanity," and of using "cruelty, racism and murder as political tools."

"The Jews arose from the Holocaust, a cause of universal joy; but the Jews arose like warriors, armed to the teeth. They took possession of a land, they exiled and destroyed old Arab communities ... and Israel entered the imperial adventure."

Berrigan said he was "not taking sides" in the Arab-Israeli conflict, because he was "sick" of war and deceit. He was careful to include a brief critique of the Arab leadership and the superpowers in his remarks, perhaps as proof of his neutrality.

But he praised the "Egyptian proposal for a cease-fire" (in return for an Israel withdrawal from all of Sinai) as the "first sane option that has arisen in the course of this suicidal adventure."

'Asian holocaust'

Berrigan, who served a term in Federal prison for "non-violent" acts of resistance against the Vietnam war, condemned the "leadership of U.S. Jewry ... for ignoring the Asian holocaust in favour of economic and military aid to Israel."

"I am a Catholic priest, in resistance against Rome; an American in resistance against Nixon. And I am a Jew, in resistance against Israel," he said.

To Berrigan, Israel has employed the racist ideology of the Nazis and "fostered the myth of the barbarian Arab," while at the same time victimizing Oriental Jews, and creating one and a half million Arab refugees.

Though he conceded Israel's right to exist, Berrigan said "she has not abolished poverty and misery; rather, she manufactures human waste, the by-products of her entrepreneurs, her military-industrial complex."

Berrigan's speech was later carried in "American Report," the journal of Clergy and Laity Concerned, which also published a rebuttal by Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, President of the American Jewish Congress. Noting that Berrigan had never been to Israel, Rabbi Hertzberg accused him of "many errors of emphasis and fact," and concluded: "Let us call all this by its right name — old-fashioned theological anti-Semitism."

Several Jewish journalists, also associated with the protest movement of the 'sixties, hit back at Berrigan's inflammatory speech. Nat Hentoff, commenting on the Himmler-like phrase israel manufactures human waste," suggested: "Next time, let the Catholics get him out of jail." (Both Daniel Berrigan and his brother Phillip, also a Jesuit activist, were helped by Jewish fund-raisers and by Jewish lawyers.)

Paul Cowan, in a "Village Voice" interview with Berrigan last month, asked him what sources he used to interpret the situation in the Middle East. Berrigan answered: "I'm not very systematic in my reading... New Left literature and left Catholic literature... I read Arthur Waskow's stuff... Paul Jacobs sent me his thing from 'Ramparts'... 'Peace News'... and I think the Arab groups sent me some position papers..."

Equal suffering?

Berrigan seems to have reached an "understanding" of the Holocaust which equates his own pain and martyrdom at the hands of American "fascists" with the suffering of a Nazi victim.

In 1967, when protests against the Vietnam war began to receive wider support, Berrigan addressed the students at Cornell University. During the question period, he was asked whether he and the eight other war protestors (who had entered the Cantonsville, Md., draft-board office and poured animal blood in the files) had considered the possibility that some harm might come to one of the terrified women clerks.

"Yes, we gave that prayerful consideration," he said. "But we decided the protest was so important that we had to run that risk... Besides, anyone who works for the draft board deserves no more consideration than the guards at Belsen and Dachau."

A Jewish professor — a refugee from Nazi Germany — followed Berrigan to the speakers' podium and said: "That remark is either blasphemous or you are a fool..."

150,000 IBM cards result in concordance with a difference

By LILI BAT AHARON
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BRUSSELS. — A NEW Bible Concordance, prepared with the aid of a computer, is shortly to be published. The work, by Father Georges Passelecq, a Belgian Benedictine monk from the mountain abbey of Maredsous, was begun in 1958. Today, 15 years and 150,000 IBM cards later, the result is a concordance with a difference.

Father Passelecq, a man of medium height and lofty ideals, is known for his erudition, his sense of humour, his love of Israel. What prompted him to launch such a long-range, painstaking undertaking?

In an exclusive interview with *The Jerusalem Post*, he gives his answer:

"The Bible, which is the Word of God, is used by the faithful of the Jewish and Christian religions alike as a source of prayer and meditation. But it is also a reference work used by scholars the world over who study theology, philosophy, ethics, ancient literature, history and sociology. I wanted to create a tool to lighten their labours. In addition, the idea is to make the Bible easily accessible not only to scholars, but to all who use it."

And with a twinkle in his eye, the Father, who looks younger than his 64 years, adds, "This big fat baby will make its debut around Pesach."

The "baby," a kind of conceptual dictionary of the Bible, is in French, Father Passelecq's mother-tongue. He masters six other languages: English, Dutch, German, Latin, Greek and Hebrew. The big difference between this work and other concordances, apart from the unusual methods used here, lies in the fact that it deals not only with words, but also with concepts. While other concordances list the passages in which a certain word from the Biblical text is used, the new work also contains references to ideas and particular subjects.

For example, a reader looking up the word "crime" in a concordance like, say, Cruden's will find four listings referring to the word in the Biblical text: 1. Job 31:11 — "this is a heinous crime, yea, it is an iniquity"; 2. Ezekiel 7:23 — "for the land is full of bloody crime," and two others from the New Testament. But the reader need not be a criminologist or a Bible scholar to know that these do not cover all the cases of crime occurring in the Good Book. In Father Passelecq's new conceptual concordance, references can be found to the classical crimes described in the Bible where the text does not contain the actual word "crime," such as: the murder of Abel, the rape of Tamar, and the killing of Uriah the Hittite.

By 1968, ten years after he began his herculean task, Father Passelecq had noted his research information on 80,000 index cards. At this point, the idea of using a computer entered the stage. Fathers Ferdinand Poswick and Eric de Borchgrave from the nearby Benedictine monastery of Quevy took courses in computer programming and arranged to use — after hours, and on holidays — the IBM 370 computer of the Caisse General d'Epargne et Retraite (CGER), a savings bank organized by the Belgian government. Three nuns joined the small staff, transferring the material to punched cards. Each of the some 9,000 "key words" in this scholarly work is listed together with synonyms and analogies aimed to help the student of the Bible to get, at a glance, a more complete picture of his subject at hand.

Father Georges Passelecq

The land of the Bible and its people have always been close to Father Georges' heart. This, together with his profound humanism, led him during the Nazi era to become an active member of the underground. He helped Jews who had earlier fled from the Nazis and were being rounded up in Belgium by German occupying forces. Himself arrested in 1941, Father Passelecq spent the war in Nazi prisons, including almost a year in Dachau. This only strengthened his devotion to the Jewish people and his determination to be on the side of right.

As a committed Christian, and living by the precept that deeds are as important as words, Georges Passelecq is now active in Belgian interfaith programmes. He is particularly concerned with all political actions for Israel.

Shortly after the October War, the Belgian Catholic Commission on Christian-Jewish Relations, of which he is secretary, published a statement in which the signatories declare and affirm their tie with the Jewish people and their understanding of the feeling of the Jewish people for its land. "We want peace at any price — unless justice is jeopardized," the declaration said in part. As none of the Belgian newspapers published the statement, the Commission printed it in large numbers and distributed it to religious and political leaders in the country.

More often than not seen in ordinary clothes rather than in his brown monk's robe, Father Passelecq spends only about half his time on the grounds of his monastery, which he calles "my kibbutz without women." When he is there, he studies, writes and preaches. His most recent sermon, like so many others in the past, dealt with the political situation in the Middle East. He called it — "Peace — do it yourself."

When he is not in Maredsous, the monastery known for its excellent cheese and weekend "retreats," he travels around to bring his message beyond its walls. Audiences both in Europe and in the United States listen to him lecture in church and synagogue on his favourite topics: Judaism and Israel. And he invariably takes leave of his Israeli friends with the words, "Am Yisrael Hai!"

His affinity to Jewish thought has led Father Passelecq to undertake several translations from English into French of the writings of Jewish theologians and philosophers. He has translated Solomon Schechter's "Major Concepts of the Talmud" as well as "God in Search of Man" and "A Call for Truth" by Abraham J. Heschel.

His passion for the Bible and his desire to make it available to the masses was responsible for the Maredsous Bible, his first written achievement upon regaining freedom from Nazi prisons. Translated by him into French from the Hebrew and the Greek, the Maredsous Bible was a decided improvement on earlier French versions, which used formal, stilted language and bore price tags beyond the reach of ordinary folk. Popular in price and words, the Maredsous Bible, published in 1951, has to date sold more than 700,000 copies.

In order to be complete, the Concordance, which is his latest and most ambitious work, would have had to contain about one million quotations across 5,000 pages and would, by reason of price, have had to become the exclusive domain of the wealthy specialist. However, stresses the lively Father, the idea was to make a popular work available to all sections of the population.

The college-dictionary-sized volume contains 1,250 pages with some 150,000 Biblical references. Published by P. Lethielleux, of Paris, the book will sell at the special price of 1,350 Belgian francs (IL135) during an introductory offer period till April 30, and then go on sale at its regular price of 1,530 francs (IL150).

Who's afraid of American cars? HOW TO BREAK THE FEAR BARRIER

Second in a series by ODED SIDON

"People who have got used to driving American cars will find it hard to give them up, and those who have dreamed for years of buying an American car will not be willing to leaving the buying in the realm of dreams." This was the opinion recently offered by a well known American psychologist, when asked about the likely repercussions of the energy crisis on sales of local and foreign cars.

It is no secret that the American car has served as a status symbol. This car, the external and internal appearance of which gladdens the eye, has been bought outside the U.S.A. by various groups who have wished to demonstrate their status. In the course of time, the American car has ceased to be a status symbol. Purchasers of these cars now include industrial and commercial companies, and also people working in various professions, who have to make more or less long journeys. It is being increasingly realized that driving and riding in an American car is not tiring — you reach your destination fresh, and ready for business.

The entry of used American cars into the transport scene has, over a period, naturally enlarged the number of drivers of compacts, and it is now possible to find drivers of American cars among those with average salaries.

In Israel, the acceptance of the American car has been a slow but continuous process. The main reason for this is to be found in Israeli taxing policy, which has produced a big difference between the "heavy" American cars — heavy because of the materials used in their manufacture — and European cars. This policy has been changed only recently, and there are now no big differences between the prices of certain models of American cars and upper echelon European cars.

There is no doubt that, during the fifties, the assembly of compacts in Israel by Ilin Industries contributed to the acceptance of the concept of American car travel — travel in cars which are not "punished" by the march of time. Younger people who had not considered buying an American car began to buy them "wholesale," and demand expanded to absorb all cars available.

Local assembly did, of course, enable us to keep our imports in check. Public companies, Zahal, the Government and private companies began to buy American cars, not just for those in the managing director class, but also for senior executives and senior officers in Zahal.

It became increasingly clear that it was not only ministers and deputy ministers who require rugged cars, capable of covering hundreds of kilometres every day, without strain — those who work with ministers also require such cars.

At the beginning of the October War, there were plenty of compacts of various types available on the Israeli market. There was no lack of buyers for these cars. Buyers sought them out from dealers, and also from private owners. Many owners of compacts were asked if they wanted to sell. Used car dealers reported that such cars were usually snapped up. Those who snapped them up were people who know how to appreciate a good car, who know what lies under the smart exterior, and how to put the qualities of such a car to good use.

During the War, everyone became aware of the worth of these cars. In the neighbourhood of the front lines they were taken over roads which were really churned up, and on "missions" which deserve a place in the annals of Zahal.

The emergency situation arising after the War produced a temporary drop in sales of such cars. An Israeli sociologist who was asked about this by a journalist replied, "Anyone who thinks the explanation is connected with the rise in the price of petrol is seriously mistaken. There is no gainsaying that the increase in petrol prices is having an effect, and that it constitutes a financial burden. It seems to me, however, that some kind of fear barrier exists, which is felt in various fields and by various products. The car is one of the clearer examples of this phenomenon." Why is this?

The sociologist's answer: "If at the present time, someone buys, say, a stereo set for which he pays a good price, the fact is known only to his family and friends. He does not have to expose his purchase to the eyes of the general public. The situation is different when he buys a new car: this is seen by all and sundry, including the neighbours. The potential buyer now has to ask himself, 'Am I sure I'm doing the right thing; can I break the fear barrier, or should I take account of public opinion?'

And if we are considering public opinion, it is no secret that, in the last fortnight, a distinct revival has been felt in product demand, this being a reflection of the expectation of devaluation, which would result in general price increases. These people are buying items which they feel they need. The items referred to are, in the main, replacements — not items being bought for the first time: the replacement of a refrigerator, TV set, washing machine, dish washer, vacuum cleaner, etc. The question arises: Why is it that the replacement of household items in the present period, irrespective of price, is quite natural, and causes the purchaser no twinges of conscience, while to change your car, an item which is essential to you, produces whispers in every corner? The answer has recently been provided by a well known Tel Aviv psychologist: The purchase of a car has become impossible for certain sections of the public, as a result of the extremely steep rise in the cost of running it, and this naturally produces frustration. The sight of a private car is thus an aggravation, and the sleeker the car, the greater the aggravation.

It may sound strange, but this question is also affected by the problems of public transport. Every day, thousands of people have to wait long periods in all weather at bus stops, while streams of private cars go by, in front of their eyes. Even if many drivers stopped to pick people up, there would not be room for everybody. It is not surprising therefore, that unfriendly remarks have been voiced, and have occasionally appeared in the press. Drivers of American cars formed a natural target, because of the elegant appearance of their cars. The fear barrier around the act of buying such cars has not proved an unbreachable barrier. It remained intact only a very short time

During recent weeks, a noteworthy and increasing upsurge has been felt in sales of new American cars. If the importers were worried for a short period, as a result of the temporary drop in sales, their euphoria is now marked.

In this connection, one of the importers has explained: "I was not worried. I felt that when the separation of forces agreement was signed, there would be a re-awakening, and it seems I was right. I believe that, when a new government is formed, and their is a stabilization of the political situation this re-awakening will be even more marked. It may take a little while until we return to the position that existed before the October War, but there are already grounds for optimism."

Another importer said, "It must be admitted that, at the present time, there is a spirit of retrenchment in public and government circles, and this has affected private individuals. However, people have decided fairly quickly that buying an American car does not constitute extravagance, but rather the contrary. Anyone willing to work things out accurately will find that, despite the apparent higher increase in the cost of running an American car, compared with the costs for a European car, as a long term proposition, an American car is the best possible investment." Of course, if there is a devaluation, some institutions and individuals now hanging fire, for one reason or another, over the buying of an American car, will be kicking themselves over the price increase resulting from the devaluation, just as those who have been quicker off the mark will be congratulating themselves.

The only problem is, of course, the overcoming of the fear barrier. The number of people overcoming this barrier is increasing, since more and more people are coming to the conclusion that there is no ned to be afraid of the American car. It may insist on its ration of petrol, but certainly does not "swallow" its owner. The general public has also come to terms with these new cars, and today is not put out by them.

We may quote a well-known economist: "Were I asked, what is the best investment today? I would answer, an American car." It could well be that he meant it.

Next article: What say the owners of American cars?

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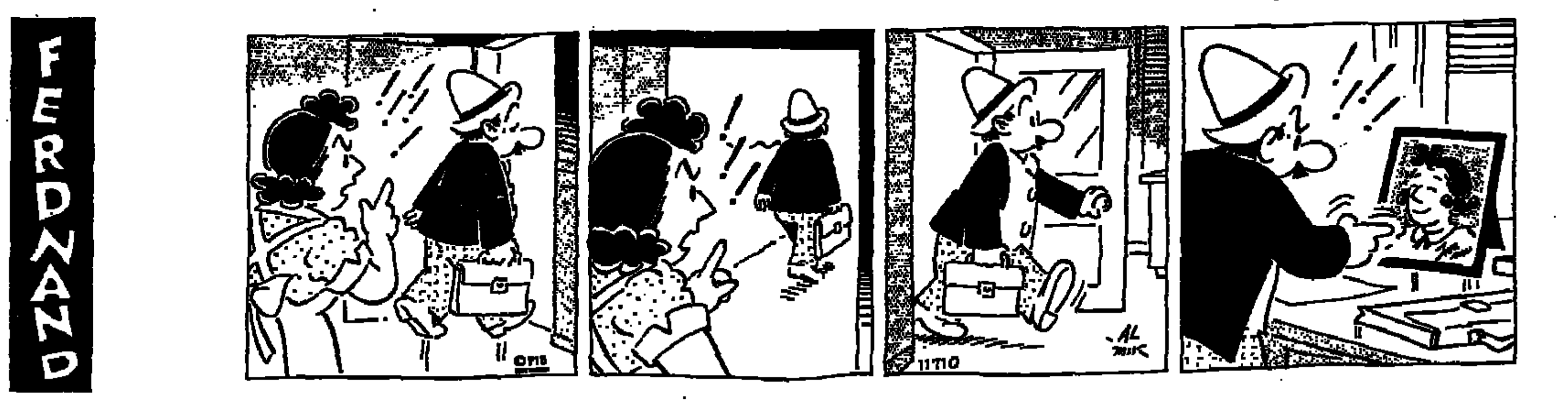

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JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Today: Minha, 5.20 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.35 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m., Minha Gdola, 12.45 p.m. Minha, 5.10 p.m. Arvit, 6.10 p.m.

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Emet Ve'emuna (Rehov Narkiss 1): Tonight, 5.30 p.m. Sermon: Mr. Shimon Greenberg. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m.

Italian Synagogue (Hillel St.): Tonight. Minha, 5.20 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Yeshivat Hakotel (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 5.20 p.m. Traditional march to the Wall followed by Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.50 p.m. Arvit (at the Synagogue), 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.30 a.m. Minha, 12.30 p.m.

Chabad-Lubavich Synagogue (Rehov Chabad, Jewish Quarter, Old City): Shahrit: 8.30 a.m. Kiddush following services.

The Sephardi Synagogues-Ribas (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 5.20 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.35 p.m. Tomorrow: Sephardi Minyan, 7.30 a.m. Ashkenazi Minyan, 8.00 a.m. Minha, 5.10 p.m.

Beit Knesset Merkazi, Talbieh: (14 *Rehov Hovevei Zion, Talbiah): Tonight:* 5.20 p.m. Minha, 0.00 p.m.

Har-El Synagogue (Progressive Judaism) 16 Rehov Shmuel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Sermon: Mr. Zvi Barkai. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m.

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America (Neve Schechter, behind the Israel Museum): Tonight: 5.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Mevakshi Derech: (14 Rehov Ibn Gvirol). Shabbat Services: 9.00 a.m.

World Council of Synagogues (Conservative) at United Synagogue of America Centre (Rehov Agron 4). Tonight: Minha 5.15 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer.

Young Israel (28 Rehov Ben-Tzion, Givat Shaul). Tonight: 5.14 p.m. Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Shiur Halahat Shabbat, 3.35 p.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Bar-Yohai 47, Katamon). Tonight: 5.14 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

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Hebrew Union College (Rehov David Hamelech 13). Saturday: 10 a.m.

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The **Great Synagogue**, (110 Allenby Road). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

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Beit Haknesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz Ba'alei Melacha 16). Tonight: *6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.*

Kehilat Sinai (Conservative, B'nai Brit House, 10 Rehov Kaplan, corner Hameasfim). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi Davis Weiss.

Kedem Synagogue (Progressive Judaism, 20 Rehov Carlebach): Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Moshe Zemer.

Kehilat Ramat Aviv (Tel Aviv University, Jacob-Efter Hall, Peretz Naphtali Bldg.): Tonight, 5.30 p.m. Sermon: Mark Davidson.

RAMAT GAN

Hatechiya Synagogue: Tonight: 5.20 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 7.45 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Mr. Barkol. Minha, 5.10 p.m. Shiur Gemara, Mr. Weizman.

Emeth Ve'anava Congregation (Progressive Judaism): 57 Derech Jabotinsky. Friday: 6 p.m. Saturday: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi T. Ben-Shorin.

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KFAR SABA

Haminyan—Hahadash (Schechunat Eliezer). Tonight: 5.25 p.m. Tomorrow: *8.00 a.m.*

PETAH TIKVA

Young Israel (Ramat Werber School, Rehov Anderson). Tonight: 5.37 p.m. Tomorrow: Talmud: 7.00 a.m. Services: 8.00 a.m.

KIRON

Young Israel (Rehov Shlomo Hamelech) Friday: 5.27 p.m. Saturday: 8.00 a.m.

KFAR SHMARYAHU

Beit Haknesset Hechal Habanim: To*night: 5.15 p.m.* Tomorrow: 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Shmuel Avidor Hacohen.

HERZLIYA

Young Israel (Hotel Hod, Rehov Hanassi). Tonight: 5.27 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.45 a.m.

NETANYA

Beth Yisrael (Conservative) (13 Rav Kook Street). Tonight: 5.15 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.00 a.m.

Netanya Progressive Congregation — (16 Rehov Smilansky). *Tonight: 5.45 p.m.*

New Synagogue of Netanya (Wizo House McDonald St.). Friday: 5.15 Saturday: *8.30 a.m. Emanuel* For Rabbi. *Study* Group, 4.00 p.m.

HAIFA

Moriah Congregation (7 Rehov Hu Ahuza). Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomor Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Ch Siegel.

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Kehilat Netzach Yisrael (The Ba va Gerbovoy Community Centre, D Ya'acov *Chaham*, corner *Harel*, Afr Tonight: Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.30 Saturday: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Ser Rabbi Pinhas Spectre.

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Young Israel (Shikun Beth) To 5.27 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit, 8.00

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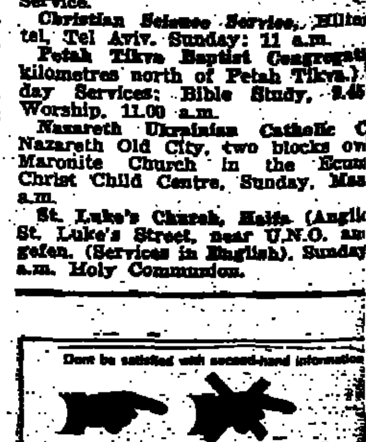

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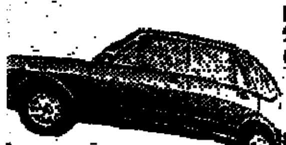

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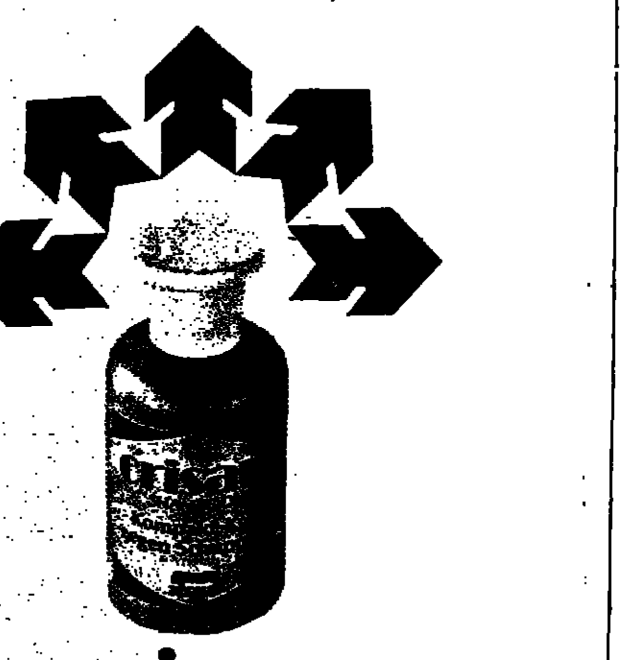

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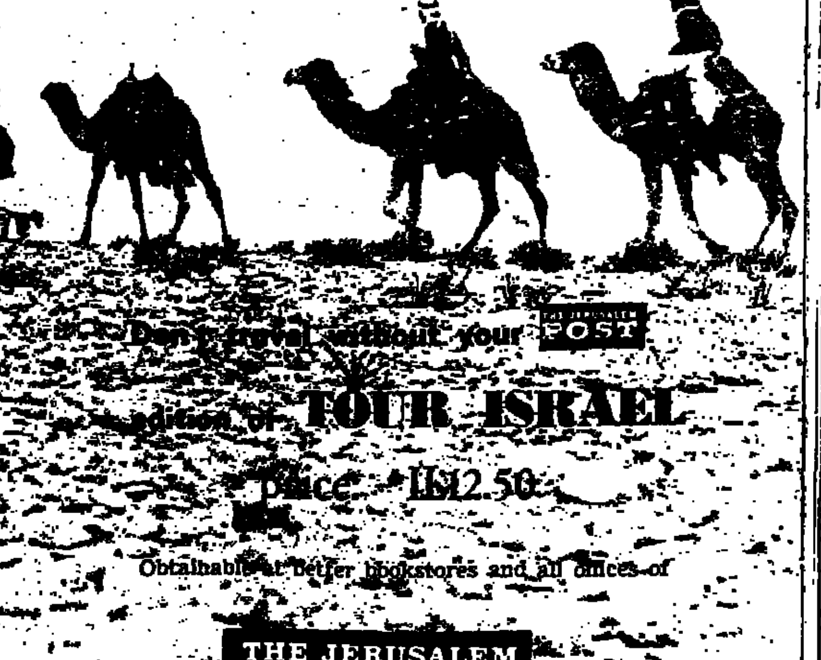

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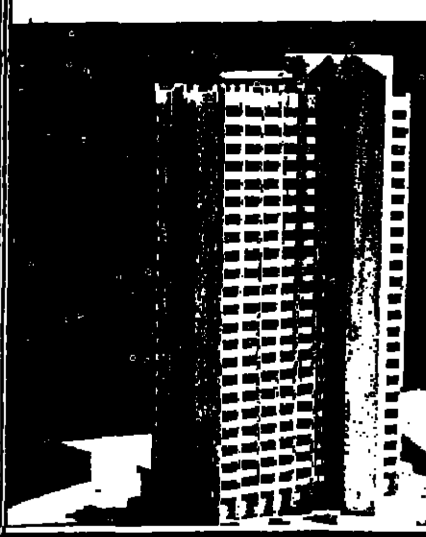

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Failure of Afula hosiery plant raises fears of unemployment

By YA'AQOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AFULA. — Fear of unemployment spread through this farming-industrial "capital of the Jezreel Valley," even as the generous rain clouds gladdened the hearts of the farmers.

The threat of large-scale unemployment, which is causing concern in the town hall and the Labour Council, was raised by the recent failure of the Jaffa hosiery factory — an employer of people — which has gone into receivership, and the uncertain future of another big local employer, the Sugar Refineries.

The Jaffa Hosiery plant was put into receivership by the courts on February 7, after a trustee appointed by the creditor banks and the Commerce Ministry had done its best to keep the plant out of bankruptcy. Its debts total about IL...m., and the receivers were appointed when one of the suppliers applied to the courts.

The works committee yesterday decided to "fight to the finish" to ensure the future of the workers and the pension and severance pay rights of the veteran employees, who stand to lose them if the plant is not sold profitably.

At a meeting with the receivers in the afternoon, Labour Council Secretary Shlomo Meirovitz agreed to try and persuade the committee to cooperate on the orderly dismissal of 180 of the workers, who are already on unpaid leave, and to see to it that the remaining employees start working regularly again. The receivers, who insisted on a positive answer by this morning, warned that otherwise the plant may be shut down.

The works committee said the factory, which makes nylon stockings and pantyhose, was established in 1961 by a French investor, Bernard Lieberman, and it had always done well.

The first sign that something was wrong came last August, when the firm applied to the Ministry for a IL1 million working capital loan. But in fact the firm was in dire financial straits, with debts amounting to IL14 million. The council had pressed the ministry to make capital available to save the plant, although it had strong reservations on "how so much money was lost so suddenly." The Ministry agreed but appointed a trustee from the banks. It was then also discovered that the firm had failed to pass on IL250,000 to the Histadrut's Mivtahim pension fund and the sick fund, covering five months' payments, half of which had in fact been deducted from the workers' salaries. In October the committee agreed to the unpaid leave for 180 of the workers to save the firm.

Some 200 of the workers are local residents, and the rest come in from Nazareth, Beit She'an and the neighbouring villages. There is no alternative employment available for so many workers in Afula.

Furthermore, the Sugar Refineries, which have 120 permanent workers and employ another 200 during the usual two-month season in May and June, will work only 20 days this year. Sugar beet growing has been cut down from 250,000 to 100,000 tons, as a result of revised government incentive policies.

Next year's outlook is uncertain. A report from an interministerial enquiry commission on the future of sugar refining in Israel is pending. Until the report is submitted the Agriculture Minister has put off a meeting requested by the Labour Council and municipality to plead for the continuation of the Afula plant.

The works committee said: "We don't see why the Government, which has poured so many millions into the plant, should now draw the line when our very future is at stake."

They noted that the veterans had joined the plant when they were in their early twenties, had specialized in skills that are of no use in any other branch, and that they now feared that even their severance pay was in danger. They had built their future on the plant, and many had large families to support, and debts to meet.

The workers will insist that the plant be kept going and, regardless of who may buy it, that 250 to 300 workers be kept on with their full social benefit rights — "Otherwise we shall take our families to demonstrate and strike in Jerusalem."

Council Secretary Meirovitz was "fairly optimistic" that if the plant could be sold, 300 workers could continue working.

Learning to live efficiently with the new computer 'generations'

HAIFA. — Human computer skills are "lagging one to two computer generations" behind those of the electronic brains to which they are applied, and that means wasted money, computer firm head Henry Taub told *The Post* here at the Technion this week.

Mr. Taub is founder and Board Chairman of Automatic Data Processing Inc., which with a $100m. annual turnover is one of America's leading computer "software" (technical services) firms. Recently elected President of the American Technion Society, he is currently here at the head of a 20-man mission of the Society.

Noting that in the 25 years he has been in the business some four generations of computers have been developed, Mr. Taub said that "in many cases second or third generation skills are still being used to operate 4th-generation computers." Because of the shortage of skilled manpower he believes many companies would be better served by hiring a specialized service company to do their computer work for them rather than by buying their own machine.

There is probably a lesson in this for Israel, which is highly computer-oriented, as the high cost of computers makes anything but top-efficiency utilization unreasonable.

A medium-sized man with deep-set eyes and a quiet manner, Mr.

HENRY TAUB

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The son of immigrants from Eastern Europe, Mr. Taub is deeply committed to Israel and Jewis affairs, and is active in Israel Bonds, the UJA and community affairs in his home town. In 1970 he and his brother gave the Technion $400,000 for its Taub Computer Centre, which has done much to advance the Institute's computer-science programme.

Asked why he had singled out the Technion when it came to helping Israel, Mr. Taub said: "I undertand the importance of technology in my business, and so I recognize how urgently Israel must multiply skills to serve its economic and defence needs. It seems to me that reinforcing Israel's defence capability and economic strength are now the country's top priority needs, and I believe the Technion can play a leading role in this."

He also believes that through the Technion Society he can contribute to educating American Jews about Israel's technological and economic needs and the Technion's role in satisfying them, and also get many who "have no affinity for the UJA or Bonds" to donate money.

He noted that several very large contributions had already been made through the Society by people who had not given to other appeals for Israel.

How had the war hit his hometown Jewish community of 1,000 families? "We were shocked. We thought the spirit of *detente* had some meaning, and during the first couple of days, before reliable news got through, we were anxious, very anxious."

They had immediately organized a fund raising campaign, which raised a million dollars the first night. "What can Jews do in a crisis but start a fund raising campaign"? Mr. Taub said, smiling.

Did the present Israeli political crisis affect American Jews, and was there danger of their becoming "fed up" with recurring crises? "As long as the crises are real, I believe we'll all consider it our duty to help and not shrink from it."

The visitor was confident that Israel would learn from the mistakes made prior to the recent war.

"If the lesson involves drastic changes, so be it, though for people in my age-group Golda Meir practically stands for Israel." But, he added, "you are paying for your mistages, and I have confidence in your judgment of what must be done to find a solution." Y.F.

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rench Fin.	4.80¾/82¾	per $
re	646.00/647.60	per $
elgian Fr.	40.38/43	per $
utch Fl.	2.7880/7920	per $
n	287/288	per $
old price	$171/173	

FORWARD RATES

	1 Mo.	3 Mos	6 Mos
	2.2885/905	2.2535/55	2.2135/45
k/$	2.6675/725	2.6740/90	2.6805/65
.Fr./$	3.1235/95	3.1290/350	3.1350/420

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	Unit Price %	Market Price %	Redemption Price %
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EREZ	123.0	117.3	120.2
EITAN	150.71	—	147.02

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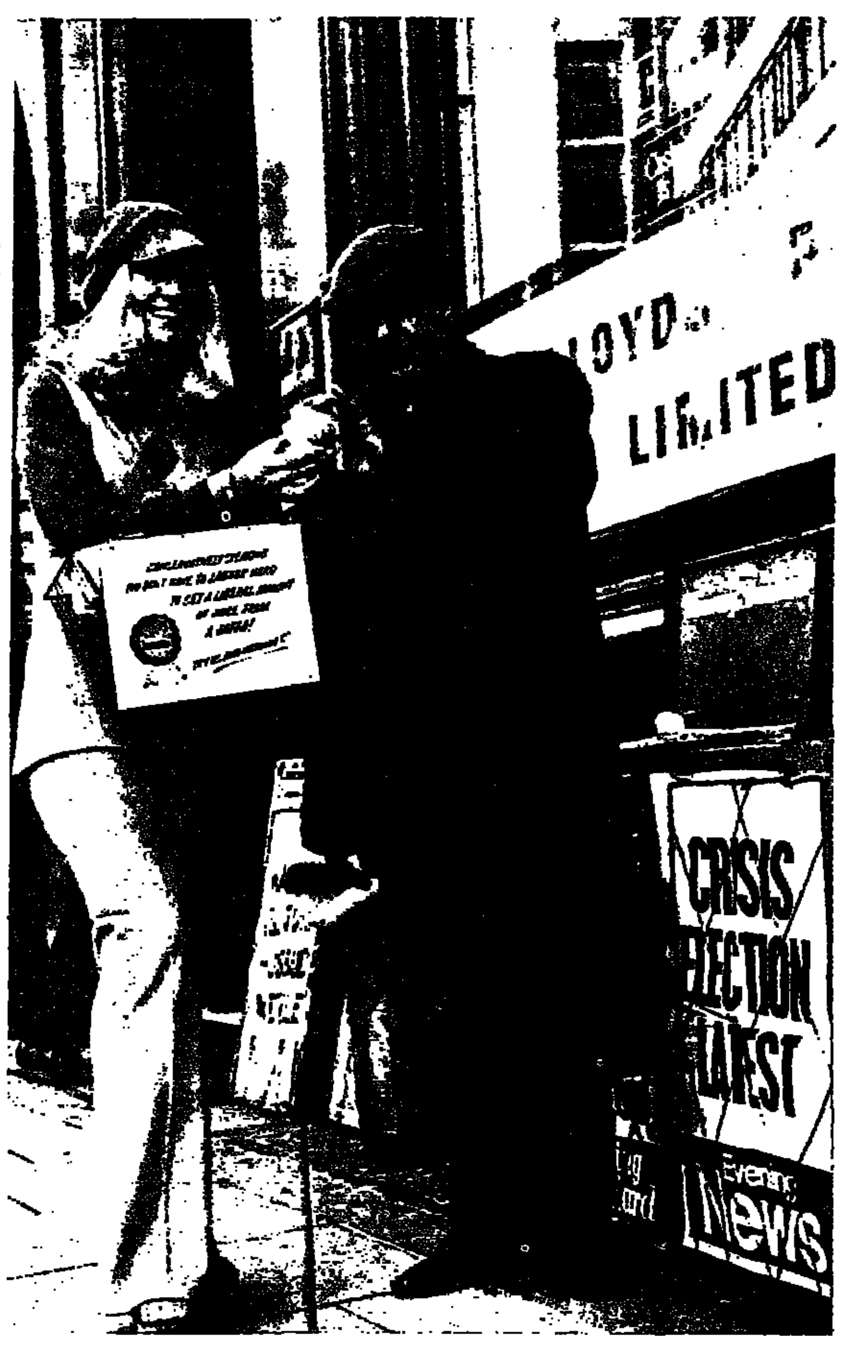

With U.K. election fever at its peak, the promotion department of Jaffas dispatched Beryl Gibb, who normally calls on fruit shops in the London area, on her own 'walkabout.' She armed herself with a tray full of oranges, with a sign that reads: Conservatively speaking, you don't have to labour hard to get a liberal amount of juice from a Jaffa! Try us and vitamin "C".

Recession unlikely in W. Europe this year

WASHINGTON (AP). — Western Europe is now not likely to have a severe business recession this year — even though some economists would almost welcome one as a way of halting runaway inflation, says "U.S. News and World Report."

The American news magazine says: "That's the brighter side of the picture. The darker side: the relatively brisk rate of economic growth Europe has enjoyed for more than 12 years is likely to slow down because of inflation, labour troubles and the energy crisis."

In a report from European capitals in its March 4 issue, released on Monday, the magazine says this is a bright spot in the over-all picture: any shortages of energy in 1974 are unlikely to be so acute as to bring about a recession. In fact, alarmist predictions only last December that cutbacks in oil exports by Arab producers would bring industries to a halt now turn out to have been wide of the mark. Western Europe is not suffering from any serious shortages of petroleum.

The magazine says, "even so, the price that will have to be paid from now on for oil imports casts a long shadow over what had previously been relatively smooth, effortless progress toward ever-higher living standards. Consumer prices in Europe are now advancing at rates between eight and 12 per cent a year. But the full effects of mounting raw material prices and fuel costs on consumer prices will be felt only later in 1974.

"America is seen as having a better chance to beat inflation than Europe, where wage demands by militant labour unions and state welfare schemes are costly. Even a rise in unemployment, expected in 1974, is unlikely to prevent unions from pressing for maximum cash gains. Outlook, therefore, is for widespread discontent and unrest in 1974.

"U.S. News" gives this country by country survey:

"West Germany: Wages and salaries in Germany this year now are expected to increase by an average of 13 to 14 per cent or even more. This will hurt the competitive position of some important export industries such as automobiles.

"France: The government is determined to keep the economy moving ahead and to avoid big unemployment, even though this would lead to more inflation and a further decline in value of the floating franc.

"Italy: The economic slowdown in neighbouring countries, notably Germany, is bound to affect Italian business expectations and exports. A decline of 30 to 40 per cent in revenue is expected by the tourist industry. The nation's trade balance is in deep deficit, despite last year's drop in the lira's exchange value.

"Britain: Strikes, upward leaping prices and a huge trade deficit confront the country with its severest economic and social crisis since World War Two. A balance of payments deficit of more than eight billion dollars is in sight. Britain may impose import controls to improve its trading position and ease downward pressures on the pound.

"Switzerland: The rate of growth is expected to be two per cent or less, while inflation may jump from the 12 now to 15 per cent in the months ahead.

"Netherlands: Capital spending will probably drop, little if any real growth is in sight and it is expected prices will rise by 12 per cent in 1974.

"Austria: The Vienna Economic Research Institute expects Austria's economy to achieve, at best, three per cent growth during the year.

"Denmark has an alarming deficit in its balance of payments, and prices may rise by 15 per cent.

"Wage increases for Swedish workers add up to a rise in labour costs during 1974 of more than 13 per cent."

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Natad dollar falls

TEL AVIV. — The Natad dollar fell by three points yesterday to stand at IL5.08. The same large bank which on the previous day forced the price up drastically, by placing a huge order, continued to buy yesterday, but so many dollars rushed in to benefit from the previous day's price (IL5.11), that despite this bank's huge order, the price fell. In all some $641,500 was traded yesterday (mainly picked up by one bank, as noted), and $830,000 was offered.

Index-linked bonds continued to rise, but by only one to two per cent.

Trading in stocks was dull, with the exception of Bank Leumi. According to financial circles, Bank Leumi is planning a "nice treat" for its shareholders. Yesterday, some 220,000 shares were traded, and the price rose by 4.5 points to 256.

The general index rose by 0.15% yesterday to stand at 241.93.

		28.2.74	27.2.74
DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
6% Dead Sea Junior	r	248	248
6% Electric Corp. A	r	131	132
6% Electric Corp. B.	r	151.5	151.1
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Kilta 1965, Index 110.1	b	304.5	303
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	131.6	131.6
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	247.4	247.4
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	218	214.5
I.D.B. pref.	r	196	196
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	161	160
Union Bank	r	276.5	276.5
Israel British Bank	b	289	289
Discount Bank "A"	r	455	455
United Mizrahi Bank	b	155	153.5
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	322	321
Bank Leumi—"A"	r	256	257.5
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	212.5	212.5
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	125	127
Bank Binyan	b	220	220
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	216	216
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	176	176
Tefahot 8%	b	213.5	213.5
Tefahot	b	210	209
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	68	73.5
Hasneh Insurance	b	192	192
Sahar—"C"	b	261	261
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	70.5	70
Delek C.	r	142.5	—
Cold Storage—IL10	r	170	170
Israel Electric Corp.	r	55	54.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	153	158
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	177	177
Africa Isr IL10	r	258.5	258.5

Isr. Land Dev.	b	154	158
Solel Boneh—10%	b	129	129
Property & Build.	r	174.5	175
Isras	b	136	136.5
Mehadrin	r	194.5	194.5
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	b	83.5	83.5
Anglo-Isr. Investor	b	163	159.5
Neot Aviv	r	69.5	70
Pri Or Ltd.	r	165	165
Rassco—8%	r	79.5	78
Rassco—O.	r	61.5	61.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	462	461
Elco—2.5	b	95	95
Electra—5	r	179	179
"Argaman"—8%	b	285	285
"Ata"—C	r	104	106
Dubek	b	353	350.5
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	172	173
Teva	b	580	586
Chem. & Phosphates	r	62	62
Lewin Epstein	b	65	65
Moller Textile	r	160	160
Phoenicia—8%	b	89	83
Paper Mills	r	292	286
Assis "B"	r	204	201.5
Nechushtan	b	256.5	256.5
Shemen—8%	b	124.5	127
"Taal" Plywood	b	205	211
Elite (A)		250	250
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	84.5	84.5
Ellern	b	156.5	155
Israel Central Trade	r	198.5	198.5
Bank Hapoalim	b	227	227
Paz	b	91	92
Wolfson IL10	b	89.5	87
Ampa	r	110	109.5
Discount Bank	b	184.5	184.5
United Mizrahi	b	98.5	98.5
Bank Leumi	r	182	180
Piryon Investment	r	89.5	89.5
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	79	80
Export Bank	b	59	58.5
Clal Investment	r	180.5	180.5
Clal Industries	r	170	170
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	85.5	85.5
Lapidoth OTC	r	168	169

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RAIN SLOWS LILIENBLUM ACTION

TEL AVIV. — The rains washed out a good portion of the trading yesterday in Lilienblum Street, but despite the inclement weather, Arabs from the administered areas turned up for the second consecutive day — to sell dollars.

The dealers believe that many Arabs see themselves living in close proximity with the Israelis for many years to come — according to the present political situation — and they are consequently trying to get rid of the dollars they hoarded, and get back to a currency which can be used freely.

Since there were more buyers among the Israelis yesterday than usual, the price of the dollar rose a bit. Hundred dollar bills went for IL5.15, up five agora, smaller denominations for IL5.10, also up five agora, and dollar cheques, IL4.70, up ten agora.

Other currencies remained steady. Gold, however, rose by another IL300 to stand at IL29,300 a kilo. (despite the fact that it fell a bit in Europe). Sovereigns were IL285, up IL5. Silver remained at IL1,230.

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STOCK TRADING LIGHT

NEW YORK (AP). — Declining issues moderately outnumbered those advancing in light trading on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday.

The declines were softened somewhat by scattered buying prompted by the news that the U.S. and Egypt were resuming diplomatic relations.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 860.53, down 2.89. The widely watched index has now shown a very small net gain for two consecutive months. It started the year at 850.86, and finished January at 855.55.

Declines outnumbered advances 746 to 658 as turnover slowed to 13.68 million shares from Wednesday's 18.73 million.

Airco Inc	13	Cont Can	—	John Joh	—	Roan Sel	4⅛
Alcan Alu	35⅞	Cont Oil	—	John Man	—	Rockwell Int	25⅝
Allied Ch	45¾	Cont Tel	—	Jon Lau	20	Royl D	33¼
Allied Str	22⅞	Cont Data	—	Kais Alum	22¾	Russ Tog	9⅝
Allis Chal	10	Corning	—	Kenn Cop	41⅝	Safeway	41⅝
Alcoa	48	CPC Intl	—	Koppers	48½	Schering	67⅝
Am Airlin	11¾	Crane Co	—	Libb O Fd	28	Scott Pap	17
Am Bdcst	24½	Crown Cork	—	Liggt My	31⅛	Sears Roe	87⅝
Amer Can	28¾	Crwn Zell	—	Litton Ind	10	Shell Oil	58½
A Cyan	32⅞	Dan River	—	Lockheed	5¾	Singer Co	36¾
A Home	39¼	Deere Co	—	LTV Corp	11¼	Smith KF	48½
A Mtl Clx	47	Dist Seag	—	Macy RH	18	Sony	27⅝
Amer Mot	10½	Dow Chem	—	Magnovox	7⅞	South Ry	49⅝
A Smelt R	25½	Dress Ind	—	Mfrs Han	39½	Sperry Rnd	41⅞
Am Stand	13⅞	Dupont	—	Marath	43¾	St Brands	53
Amer T & T	52⅝	East Airlins	—	Marcor	24	St Oil Cal	28½
AMF Inc	21¾	E Kodak	—	Marsh Fd	19¾	St Oil Ind	94⅝
Ampex	4⅛	Eaton	—	Martin Mar	18¾	St Oil Oh	68½
Anaconda	28	El Paso NG	—	Matsush	17¼	Sterl Drug	30¾
ASA Ltd	82¼	ESB	—	McDon D	19½	Stu War	33½
Atl Rich	100⅝	Esmark	—	Merck	78½	Sun Oil	49
Avco	7¾	Exxon	—	Minn MM	76¾	Teledyne	13¼
Beckman	83¼	Fair Cam	—	Mobil Oil	44¾	Tenneco	22¼
Bell How	21⅝	Firestone	—	Monogm	4⅞	Texaco	28¼
Bendix	37¾	Fst N City	—	Monsan	58⅞	Texas Gulf	35¾
Benguet	4⅝	Fluor Cp	—	Moor McCor	16⅛	Texas Instru	105⅞
Beth Stl	34⅝	Fd Fair	—	Morgan J	63	Textron	22¼
Boeing Co	15¼	Ford Mot	—	Nabisco	32¾	Transwair	17
Bois Cas	17¼	Gen Dynam	—	Nat Cash R	37¾	TriCon	23¼
Borg War	19⅜	Gen Elect	—	Nat Distil	13¾	TRW Inc	19¼
Braniff	11⅝	G Fds Corp	—	Nat Indust	14⅛	Twent Cent	6⅝
Brist My	46⅝	Gen Mills	—	Nowest Air	23¾	UAL Inc	27¼
Brunswick	16¾	Gen Mot	—	Occ Pet C	10½	Unil Ltd	—
Burl Ind	—	Gn Tel El	—	Olin Corp	14½	Unil NV	39⅝
Burroughs	—	Gen Tire	—	Otis Elev	40¾	Un Carbide	35⅝
Camp Sp	—	Genesco	—	Owen Ill	34	Uniroyal	9
Cdn Pac	—	Georgia	—	Pac Gs El	23⅞	Unit Aircraft	25¼
Canal R	—	Getty O	—	Panam W A	5⅞	Unit Brands	7⅛
Castle Cke	—	Gillette	—	Penn Centrl	3⅛	US Indust	7¼
Cater Tr	—	Goodric	—	Pepsi Co	64	US Steel	43¾
Celanese	—	Goodyr	—	Pfizer	38⅝	US Tobac	13¼
Cerro Cp	—	W R Grace	—	Phelps D	41½	UV Ind	39⅝
Chase Manh	—	Grt A & P	—	Phil Morr	107⅝	War Lam	35¾
Chem NY	—	Gulf Oil	—	Phil Petro	57⅛	Wells Far	34⅝
Chessie Sys	—	Gulf Wn	—	Polaroid	79¾	Wn Un	14⅞
Chrysler	—	Hew Pack	—	Proct GM	88½	Westg Elec	24½
Cities Svc	—	Honeywel	—	Qukr Oat	25¼	Weyerhs	40¾
Coca-Cola	—	Howmet	—	Rabystos M	40⅝	Woolworth	18
Colg Pal	—	IBM	—	Ralston P	21	Xerox Co	115
CBS	—	Int Harv	—	RCA	20⅝	Zenith Rad	29⅞
Colu Gas	—	Int Nickel	—	Revere Cop	9⅝		
Colum Pict	—	Int Paper	—	Reyn Ind	47⅝		
Con Edis	—	Int T & T	—	Reyn Met	22½		

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2) All students who were accepted by the University for the 1973-74 Academic Year, and have not been able to attend the University on a regular basis due to military service, will be able to start their studies in the second semester and complete them in the summer semester.

3) Each department will arrange for a suitable programme for each drafted student who returns to his regular studies. A number of courses will be started again in the second semester. In addition, tutorials and special lectures will be provided by the teaching staff so that each returning student can be integrated into a full academic programme.

4) Demobilized students who have not as yet prepared their study programme, or who wish to change their programme can do so during the week commencing March 10 (March 12-15). During this week, there will be advisers available in each department, to assist the returning student to arrange his programme.

5) On Sunday, March 3, an Information Desk for mobilized and demobilized students will be opened, in the Dean of Students office. Guidance and information on Exemption from Tuition, Stipends for Demobilized Students, and Registration Procedures will be available, Monday — Thursday, 9 a.m.-5.30 p.m. and on Friday, 9 a.m.-12.30 p.m. (except for the Purim recess). This desk can also be reached by telephoning 752-124.

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Moscow hunger strike

SOVIET harassment of Jews wishing to leave for Israel has been underlined once more by the hunger strike of three men in Moscow. Prof. David Ashbel, Prof. Vitaly Rubin and painter Vladimir Galatsky intended not only to pressure the Soviet authorities into granting them exit visas, but to draw the world's attention to the fact that attempts to leave Russia are still difficult and hazardous.

Jews are arriving here in a continuous flow from the Soviet Union, but their emigration depends on the whim of the local authorities.

A Jew filing an application for emigration to Israel runs the risk of being bullied by the local police, losing his job, being molested and, if fate is against him, suffering hunger and deportation to a work camp.

Since the emigration tap was opened half-heartedly several years ago, 210,000 applications are believed to have been filed. Some 90,000 have been granted visas which means that 120,000 have not.

Soviet spokesmen often claim delays are caused by difficulty in handling so many applications by a staff never intended to deal with such large numbers. However, there seems to be some "logic" in the bureaucratic maze. In the outlying areas, particularly in the areas annexed to the USSR after World War II, the local authorities may be glad to get rid of large groups of residents whose posts and flats can be distributed to others. But in Russia proper (where 900,000 Jews live), the difficulties for would-be immigrants are great indeed. The authorities in Moscow or Leningrad can hardly hope to please their citizens by letting Jews leave, for the Jews are a small proportion of the population.

A permanent feature of Soviet policy in respect to Jewish emigration is the haphazard way in which they stop one applicant or another from leaving. A number of "activists" have been in the news for years — Prof. Alexander Lerner, Prof. Benjamin Levich, Victor Polski, and Vladimir Slepak have become famous names in the story of the Soviet fight against Jewish emigration. When someone in authority decides too many Jews show an interest in leaving, they clamp down on somebody and make his case known to others. For instance, several weeks ago a Georgian, Pinhas Pinhasov, was detained on the day he received his exit visa, and is still in jail while his wife and six children went to Israel.

The sustained wish of Jews to go to Israel feeds on a variety of reasons, including growing anti-Semitism and family links in Israel. Prof. David Ashbel, who carries on his hunger strike in Moscow though his two comrades have stopped, wrote in a message made public on the eve of the strike: "Nothing can humiliate a man as much as the feeling of sheer impotence — we are hostages."

What unites all the Jews, more than any formal definition of "Who's a Jew" could, is the description by the late historian Shimon Dubnov: "The Jewish fate." There is no need for Jews in the Soviet Union to define Jewishness — everybody knows what that means.

The only thing Israel can do to help Soviet aliya is to streamline absorption; but absorption is the last link in the chain. The first turn of the key depends on the Soviet authorities. Moscow has been known to be sensitive, not to reason or humanity, but to pressure of humanists abroad.

ONE FOOT OUT

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POSTSCRIPTS

WHAT a pity that Dr. Henry Kissinger's second name is Alfred, and not Joseph. It would have been such a nice twist of history had he been named after the only other Jew to have had the same kind of mesmeric influence on the Egyptians. When one sees on television the affectionate hugs with which he is greeted by Sadat and Fahmy — although realising that this is as usual for the Middle East as nose-rubbing is for the Eskimos — one cannot help but marvel at the warmth the men of the Nile seem genuinely to feel for a one-time German Jewish refugee.

Joseph established his special relationship with Pharaoh by his skilful interpretation of dreams: in other words, he was a first class psychoanalyst, without benefit of Freud. Has the modern Joseph the same gift? Perhaps so. Did he promise Sadat seven fat years, after seven lean years since 1967 when Egypt was "blasted with the east wind"?

One could pursue this line of thought. Is there going to be an Asenath in Kissinger's life, and has there been a Potiphar's wife? Not that he would have had the time in his flying visits — but it remains a pretty theory to play around with over the week-end. *F.D.*

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LABOUR Party leaders now say they regret having forced Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman out of the Chief Rabbinate in 1972 to make way for Rabbi Shlomo Goren. Labour insisted on elections for the Chief Rabbinate in that year and threw its support behind Rabbi Goren in the hope — which was later realized — that he would solve the Langer "*mamzerim*" case.

Rabbi Unterman, Labour members have been heard saying, would have avoided the injunction which Rabbi Goren handed down to the National Religious Party last week forbidding it from joining the coalition over "Who is a Jew."

The former Chief Rabbi, now nearly 90, takes a daily afternoon stroll on the Knesset Hill. Watching his stately progress on Monday a top Labour Party leader mused pointedly: "He would not have needed to prove to any American rabbis how Orthodox and anti-Reform he was." *D.L.*

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WHEN visiting friends in New York recently, someone present mentioned that the New York telephone directory had a listing under "Hamovis, Moloch" (which, of course, is the familiar Ashkenazi pronunciation of *Malach ha-Mavet*). Curiosity prompted us to call. We asked for Mr. Hamovis, and a woman's voice replied coldly: "Moloch Hamovis means 'Angel of Death'. This phone is tapped. We will be paying you a call."

For those interested, the Angel of Death's phone number is listed as 663-2420 and his address is 736 West End Avenue. *G.W.*

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VIEWPOINT

Trade by piracy: the oil cartel

By DAVID KR

THE under-privileged can do no wrong nowadays; and apparently that applies to the Arab oil states. The Western nations are so beset with guilt at their own prosperity, that they applaud the OPEC resolution to up prices unilaterally by cartel.

All attempts to raise living standards the normal way, with technical assistance, have failed so far. People think that this abnormal way will perhaps succeed better.

What they do not say, for fear of offending the LDCs (less-developed countries) is that the high-handed action taken by the OPEC is downright robbery. And bad habits are catching. If OPEC can engineer a holdup, why cannot other countries do the same? Trade through the conventional monetary system may give way to trade-by-piracy.

Trade through the conventional monetary system works, because it keeps prices down. The competitive, free-enterprise system has ensured that, on the average, the price of all commodities is close to the costs of production. The one exception is diamonds, because they are marketed through a cartel dominated by the London Diamond Syndicate. But the size of the operation is so small that it does not affect the world monetary situation. The monopoly price of diamonds constitutes, let us say, a minor form of theft, which helps diminish Britain's trade deficit.

As to business in general, production costs all over the world divide roughly in two parts — 80 per cent wages, 20 per cent capital. Out of every $1,000 gained in Western Europe by exporting cars, 80 per cent is spent on buying consumer goods for the workers who made the car, and 20 per cent is spent on buying capital goods for the businessmen who invested in making the car. So what is gained by exporting the car is used up on importing consumer and capital goods.

Breaking the rules

This is an approximate balance. Of course, there are price fluctuations. Also some countries run a trade surplus, and some a trade deficit. But these disparities are not substantial. They are allowed for by credit arrangements, including (at the world level) the operations of the International Monetary Fund.

For the first time since money was invented, the OPEC countries have broken the rules of this game, on a gigantic and international scale. Their policy is defended by the plea that petrol prices did not rise between 1950 and 1970. Petroleum companies are blamed for keeping oil cheap, in order to undercut competing energy sources, like coal and atomic energy.

But it is admitted in the same breath that the oil companies made a fortune. Therefore oil cannot have been so cheap, relative to its production costs. In fact the companies kept oil prices up, not down. If prices stayed relatively cheap all the same, it is because vast new low-cost oil deposits were opened up.

Humanity is entitled to pay what a commodity costs, and not more. Water is far more important for human survival than mink coats, yet is much cheaper — because it is available in large quantities and can be tapped at low expense. No-one goes round moaning that the water situation is a scandal because its tariff has gone up less than the cost-of-living index.

It may be said that production expenses are cheap in the oil countries owing to the fact that wages are meagre there. The remedy is to clamp a tax on oil exports, and use the money to accelerate industrialization. There are difficulties, of course, because some of the oil countries are not countries at all, in the proper sense of the term. Kuwait and Abu Dhabi, for example, are so dimimutive that they cannot do much development work. Perhaps they should have been incorporated into more heavily populated states — Egypt, Pakistan, Indonesia.

Whatever audacious arrangements were made would have been all right and could not have been classified as open theft at the commercial level, had the price of oil been fixed at a figure which would cover production costs, plus whatever subsidies were needed to finance national development. The point is that the oil revenue would have equalled the cost of the goods and services that the oil-producing countries proposed to import. They would have increased their earnings without wrecking the international monetary system.

But what OPEC did was to fix, a price which covers wages, commercial profit and subsidies to development — and then add on top of that an enormous gratuitous sum which is completely arbitrary, has no precedent or purpose, and is intended to finance nothing. This kind of profiteering puts Rockefeller and Onassis in the shade. Oil sheikhs today make the big trusts and multi-national corporations look small fry.

Reserves issue

The alleged justification is that petrol reserves will eventually run out. But then, so will the world's reserves of coal, iron, tin, nickel, copper, uranium — and minerals. That is not a reason for abandoning the supply-and-demand system. Countries that possess natural resources are lucky, the money they earn is a gift from heaven. When these commodities run out, it is their business to find alternative ways of making a living. Israel cannot hold the world to ransom because her supplies of potash and phosphates are being depleted. On the contrary, she should be thankful that she has these deposits while there is a market for them.

Instead of holding up the world at pistol point, the oil-producing states ought to count th[illegible] ings. They get an income [illegible] the good fortune of possess[illegible] ready-made product right under [illegible] feet. To make the world pay [illegible] because these resources are n[illegible] finite is like expecting the [illegible] to compensate a millionaire f[illegible] fact that in due course his [illegible] will run out.

The OPEC countries have [illegible] mitted a mortal sin in breakin[illegible] rules. No one begrudges them [illegible] return for their oil. But to ta[illegible] unfair return opens the way t[illegible] aster, for two reasons. First, th[illegible] creating an imbalance in [illegible] trade, whose perils are not yet [illegible] apprehended. Second, they ar[illegible] the only group of nations tha[illegible] play the highwayman. Levying [illegible] from the customer can beco[illegible] fashion, like hi-jacking planes [illegible] world is not short of commo[illegible] that can be sold through this [illegible] tem of international blackmail. [illegible] are hints of things to com[illegible] price inflation takes hold. A t[illegible] tin, it should be noticed, a[illegible] costs more than a ton of silv[illegible]

A form of state capitalism [illegible] to be emerging which could [illegible] private enterprise look saint[illegible] comparison. If the lawless pra[illegible] started by OPEC really sprea[illegible] world may move away from th[illegible] sings of international coope[illegible] Business will be taken over [illegible] ally by the politicians. Trad[illegible] revert to barter, and humanity [illegible] find itself entering a new [illegible] Age.

READERS' LETTERS

The Law of Return

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Those of us who remember the days of the struggle for illegal immigration into Palestine saw the Law of Return as a great triumph which opened the gates of Israel for all time. The days of *aliya bet* were gone forever.

Today, when the open gates are taken for granted, it is distressing to see this same law perverted into a means for closing the gates against those who do not have the right kind of certificate, and to see a government crisis at a time of emergency confused by the petty haggling over what is the right kind of certificate.

The Law of Return has served its purpose. Perhaps it is out of date today, when there are no more barriers against Jewish immigration. In that case, it should either be left on the books as a monument, or taken off. But it should not be turned into an instrument for creating new barriers against good people who want to live in the Land of Israel. *HARRY J. LIPKIN*

Rehovot, February 22.

Aeroflot not cheap

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I enjoyed reading your article of February 19 about the Soviet airline Aeroflot, but there is one point I'd like to object to. I quote: "...Aeroflot can rightly claim to be the cheapest airline in the world. The 4,800 km. flight from Moscow to Novosibirsk costs only 49 rubles, or about IL275." Although the figures are correct, this fare, like others, is not as cheap as it seems to be. One has to keep in mind that the salary of an engineer teacher or doctor in the Soviet Union starts at 75 and goes up to 180 rubles per month, or about IL382 to IL920 gross. To compare the fares in different countries, one has to compare the average salaries as well. Thus, the Soviet Union will not be able to claim it has the cheapest airline in the world.

A. GLUSKIN
(A newcomer from the USSR)

Kiryat Tivon, February 22.

PEN FRIENDS

SUSAN SLODE (17), of 1 Allenby Grove, E. Bentleigh (3165), Melbourne (Vic.), Australia, would like to have young Israeli penfriends. She is interested in music, books, basket ball and fashions.

OSCAR FIGUEROA of P.O.B. 958, Holbrook, Arizona 86025, is a native of El Salvador who would like to correspond with young Israeli students in English or Spanish.

Information policy defended

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The whole question of Information Services for Israel interests me directly. Following a tour of Israel recently — precisely for this reason — I am to shortly commence an "Association de Membres de la Legion d'Honneur-Amis d'Israel" in France, and diffuse information on Israel in the South. This should be interesting as I am not French, nor Jewish, nor Israeli!

I do not consider that the Information Ministry has been treated fairly in the bombardment of recent criticism.

Israel is, obviously, conscious of the need to do something else, something different or something more in the line of information. That this realization has led to hesitancy is certain, but we must at least try to understand why. Not the least of the reasons is the question of how much of the information services should be in the hands of non-Jewish non-Israelis? The Jewish people have had little reason in their history to rely confidently upon non-Jews for anything. On the other hand, Israel is not without seeing the very real evolution of Gentile understanding for everything which involves the Jewish people and State of Israel. This evolution is very real.

The shortcomings, the hesitancies, can be resolved. New directions can be taken, new initiatives approved. But there is just one point which everyone seems to have overlooked. Who is going to provide the funds for this? One of the most expensive functions of any state today is information. The efforts demanded of Israel by those who complain would be enormous. Yet the complai[illegible]s continue to fall, left, right and centre, upon an Israel, who, due to economic problems, has had to remove subsidies from its basic foodstuffs, has been obliged to impose all sorts of loans in order to make ends meet, and who in order to defend itself gave everything it had.

Is it fair to complain, to demand more of Israel, without bothering to advance a concrete suggestion of how these things which will cost so much will be covered?

Israel does need a more concentrated effort in telling the world: "This is how we see it," "This is how we foresee a just peace," and "This is what we are willing to do for peace." But it will take a lot of cash and a great deal of devoted attention.

So to all those who complain, I would say just one thing. Stop it, and let us get down to work and do something about it.

EVELYN LE CHENE

Vinsobres, France, February 8.

From Prof. Akzin

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Since a correspondent of yours referred to me while criticizing Israel's information activities abroad, I'd like to suggest that critics err in centring their arguments on the present director of the Foreign Ministry's Information Division. The fact is that, since the advent of the present incumbent, Alouph Hareven, the Division has been far more active than almost at any time in the past.

It is true, though, that more alertness, a fresher outlook, and greater firmness in asserting Israel's case are sorely needed, and that less energy should be spent on trying to prove to the Israel public that our information activities are all that they should be. They are not. Anyhow, the job of the Foreign Ministry's Information Division is not to console the Israeli public, but to carry the country's "information war" (Mr. Hareven's own expression) abroad.

BENJAMIN AKZIN

Jerusalem, February 24.

Come in out of the West

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was not sure if I should laugh or cry when I read the "Open Letter" by Messrs. Landesman *et al*, February 14. What they said was true but, after the time they have been here, I wonder how they still think they live in America.

If they really want to solve their problem and salvage their building, they must solve it within the context of the Israeli way of thinking and morality. Here are a few of your options:

1. Don't "visit" Amidar, hold a permanent sit-in blocking traffic and offices (newspapermen always invited).

2. Israelis are terrified of subdued social violence, viz. the half-hearted violence of the Black Panthers. The Government was so frightened and impotent that the Panthers got what they wanted. The lesson is clear, a sit-in with violence will obviously work.

3. Man the barricades! It worked for the Georgian stevedores in Ashdod. Do the same thing to major building projects by the same contractors.

4. Best of all, organize a rent strike. It is really very simple and immigrants from New York should know the mechanisms. Retain an attorney, agree to pay him all the rent and/or mortage money. Inform the various agencies through the attorney of what you have done and demand that the repairs be carried out forthwith. After waiting for a response (which you will not receive), contract on your o[illegible] have the repairs made to yo[illegible] tisfaction using the rent mo[illegible] money fund for this purpose. [illegible] the whole business is finishe[illegible] perly, have your attorney [illegible] his fees and turn over the p[illegible] tionate amount of residual [illegible] to the various agencies a[illegible] whom you struck. The end. [illegible] can't and won't touch you b[illegible] they can't deal with this c[illegible] and with the attendant publi[illegible]

Come in out of the West, g[illegible] men. Israel is worth living i[illegible] not in your framework. Yo[illegible] be forever frustrated.

Dr. D. S. GOLL[illegible]

Jerusalem, February 17.

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